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TELEGRAMS.

TENSION IN ULSTER.

TROOPS ARRIVE.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 18.

The growing tension in Ulster has caused the authorities to take precautions.

A detachment of the 1st Norfolk Regiment has arrived at Carrick Fergus. Sentries with fixed bayonets are posted day and night at the Castle Armory.

The guards at the barracks at Enniskillen and Armagh have been doubled, and civilians have been prohibited from entering.

The Covenant.

Lord Milner, in the course of a lengthy interview, said the motives of the organisers of the British Covenant were to aid in forcing an immediate appeal to the country, or in the alternative, to stand by Ulster in the interregnum until the electors have pronounced their judgment.

KAISER'S DAUGHTER.

BIRTH OF A SON.

London Received March 19.

Princess Victoria Louise, only daughter of the Kaiser, has given birth to a son.

The Kaiser thereupon ordered a holiday for all school children in Berlin. There is also a general holiday in Brunswick, where popular rejoicings are taking place.

[Princess Victoria Louise was married to Duke Ernest Augustus of Cumberland on May 25, 1913, and the latter was proclaimed Duke of Brunswick on November 3 last.]

THE COCAINE TRAFFIC.

BRITISH LEGISLATION.

London Received March 18.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Herbert Roberts drew attention to the amount of cocaine exported to China from Great Britain.

Mr. Roberts, Under-Secretary for India, replied:—I think legislation is actually being considered, presumably with a view to carrying out the provisions of the opium convention.

SERVICES APPRECIATED.

London Received March 18.

The Prince of Albania has telegraphed to Queen Wilhelmina expressing his appreciation of the services rendered to him by the Dutch officers.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

MR. REDMOND LOOKS AHEAD.

London Received March 18.

At the St. Patrick's Day banquet held at the Hotel Cecil, many messages of congratulation from America and the Colonies, including Capetown, were read.

Mr. Redmond, in toasting "Ireland, a Nation," said that this would be the last St. Patrick's Day before the enactment of the great measure of emancipation and justice which would be made law in a few weeks, probably in its present form. The efforts of the Government for conciliation had met with insult, rejection and failure. "If the Opposition interposed with force, it would be met with force. The Irish Party and the Government were absolutely united."

TELEGRAMS.

THE SUFFRAGISTS.

WORRYING ROYALTY.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 18.

Suffragists attempted to address Their Majesties at the charity matinee at the Palladium. Several who were ejected threw handbills from Gallery.

PORTUGUESE MATTERS.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon states that the Senate has adopted the decree opening up the hinterland of Angola to foreign merchant free. The Loanda-Bica Railway has been transferred to the State.

THE PARIS SENSATION.

CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's Paris correspondent states that the newspapers are full of the Calmette affair. The Minister of Justice affirms that the usual criminal proceedings will be taken against Madame Caillaux.

The Ministers tried to prevent M. Caillaux from resigning, but the latter insisted and declared that his political career was ended.

A further message from the same source states that Madame Caillaux informed the Magistrate that she had heard that M. Calmette was about to publish other private letters, and she was unable to brook further humiliations to herself and her husband.

Other Affaires Recalled.

London Received March 18.

The intense sensation caused by the wife of Minister Caillaux shooting dead in his office M. Calmette, the editor of the *Figaro*, in consequence of articles published by M. Calmette attacking M. Caillaux, threatens to develop in almost equal political importance to the Dreyfus and Steinheil affairs.

Despite extensive police precautions there were a series of demonstrations against M. Caillaux which were organized by the Royalists of Paris.

Last night there were frequent scuffles with the police, resulting in fifteen arrests.

The Chamber of Deputies, after an exciting debate, resolved to continue the Commission of Enquiry into the Rochette case and to invest it with judicial power.

One of the *Figaro* charges was that M. Caillaux indirectly brought pressure to bear upon the judges to postpone the case of the financier Rochette, thus enabling Rochette to flee from the country.

Papers Seized.

The police have seized all the papers at M. Calmette's office, and it is reported that they include private letters which M. Caillaux wrote to his wife before marriage.

The Rochette Debate.

London Received March 18.

Deputy Delahaye opened the Rochette debate, asserting that the crime was committed with the object of preventing the publication of documents showing that a certain Judge was guilty of a misdemeanour in 1911 by order of M. Monis, the then Premier.

M. Barthou caused a sensation by reading a letter written by the Attorney General, M. Fadre, in 1911, alleging that M. Monis compelled him to secure a postponement of the Rochette case. Recriminations ensued. M. Monis denying that he ordered a postponement of the case, and the Radicals accusing M. Barthou of purloining the document and supplying it to the *Figaro*.

TELEGRAMS.

NAVAL ESTIMATES.

GOVERNMENT CRITICISED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 18.

During the debate in the House of Commons on the Naval Estimates, Mr. A. H. Lee (U.) contended that the Government was failing in its promise to keep up the 60 per cent. standard. They would be three ships short in Home waters in the summer, four in 1915, and two in 1916. The Government, he further contended, had also completely failed to carry out its pledges regarding the Mediterranean.

Mr. J. G. Butler (U.) moved that in order to deal satisfactorily with the Navy and Army Estimates the House should be informed of the conclusions of the Committee of Imperial Defence, and the result of its re-examination of the problem of defence against invasion.

Mr. Churchill, in winding up the debate, said that the new factors which had arisen in the last six or seven years had required close attention, and he instanced submarines, aircraft and wireless. It should not be assumed, he said, that these new factors were not favourable to Great Britain, but undoubtedly a change of strategic front had occurred which had not improved our position. All these matters had been studied by the Invasion Committee in the course of a long inquiry, in addition to the important lessons of the manœuvres. The report of the Committee had only been agreed upon a fortnight ago and it was not yet signed. There were still points being considered. There would be a debate later in the Session when Mr. Asquith would make a full statement, embodying the conclusions of the Committee.

The motion was rejected by 290 votes to 190.

INDEMNITY BILL.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's Capetown correspondent says the Senate has passed the third reading of the Indemnity Bill.

ARRESTED MISSIONARY.

PORTUGAL'S PROMISE.

London Received March 18.

Portugal has replied to the British representations regarding the Rev. Mr. Bowkill that she will see that full justice is guaranteed. Should the tribunal include military officers it would be in no wise prejudiced thereby. The trial would be public, and counsel would thus be able to attend.

LORD WOLSELEY.

PROPOSED STATUE.

London Received March 18.

The Government has granted a site in Trafalgar Square for an equestrian statue of the late Field Marshal Lord Wolseley. A committee, whose members include Lord Lansdowne, Sir Edward Grey, Earl Roberts and Field Marshal Lord Kitchener, is appealing for subscriptions.

VOTE OF CENSURE.

London Received March 18.

Mr. Bonar Law will move the vote of censure on the Government on Thursday.

TELEGRAMS.

MR. POOLEY'S CASE.

NO COMPLAINT RECEIVED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 18.

Sir Edward Grey, in reply to Mr. Laurence Hardy, said that Mr. Pooley, formerly Reuter's agent at Tokyo, has made no complaint regarding his treatment in prison, either to the Ambassador or to the Consul-General in Yokohama. In the absence of complaint from him or his counsel there was no reason for making a remonstrance to the Japanese Government.

FRENCH CABINET.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that M. Renault, Minister for the Interior, has been appointed Minister for Finance; M. Malvi, Minister for Commerce, has been transferred to the Ministry of the Interior, and M. Peret, attached to the latter office, has been appointed Minister for Commerce.

THE RUSSIAN STORM.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that the victims of the storm number about two thousand. The Viceroy of Caucasus has telegraphed that the Tsar will relieve the sufferers. One hundred and fifty boats were lost at Astrakhan.

"WHITE WOLF" ACTIVE.

London Received March 18.

Reuter's Peking correspondent says White Wolf's troops, which were defeated on March 1 at King-tze-kwan, Honan, are now threatening Sianfu.

MR. BALFOUR.

STRUCK WITH A STONE.

London Received March 19.

The Right Hon. Mr. A. J. Balfour was motoring at Nice when he was struck with a stone thrown by a boy. He sustained a deep gash on the bridge of the nose.

PRINCE OF WALES.

London Received March 19.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has arrived at Copenhagen and been decorated with the Order of the Elephant.

THE MARCONI INQUIRY.

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS.

London Received March 18.

The House of Lords Marconi committee was attended by Lord Murray, Mr. Shearman, K. O. appearing on his behalf.

The accusations were made by Mr. Colefax, K. O. and Mr. Upjohn K. O., on behalf of Mr. Maxse and the *Morning Post* respectively.

The charges centred round the purchase of American Marconis by Lord Murray himself and for party funds. It was also alleged that £20,000 of party funds were invested in Home Railways when the Government were conducting the coal strike negotiations, which were likely to affect the price of stock.

TELEGRAMS.

KIAOCHOW.

GERMAN ENTERPRISE.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 18.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent says the Budget Committee of the Reichstag has discussed the Estimates for Kiaochow.

Admiral von Tirpitz explained the project for the establishment of an iron foundry and smelting works at Tsingtau, and said the Admiralty was furnishing information and endeavouring to promote the growing interest in German industry in China.

NATURALISATION.

IMPERIAL UNIFORMITY.

London Received March 18.

The House of Lords passed the second reading of the Bill to promote uniformity of naturalization of all subjects of the Empire. Lord Emmott explained that the Bill had been drafted in agreement with the Dominions.

FOOTBALL.

Club Beaten in Shield.

Semi-final.

The semi-final replay between the Hongkong Football Club and H.M.S. Hampshire, took place last evening before a large and interested crowd of spectators. The result, a win for the sailors by one goal to nil, was a very fair indication of the merits of the game. To the whistle of Mr. A. P. Storrie the teams lined up as follow:—

Hongkong F. C.:—W. G. Cope; A. Hamilton and J. Stalker; R. C. Barlow, W. B. Rigden, and R. F. Long; D. Larkins, A. L. Gace, P. Wilkie, W. V. Pennell and A. I. L. Goldenberg.

H.M.S. Hampshire:—Seymour, Martin and Gander, Heywood, sub. Lt. Hatch, and Hookham, St. Croix, Lee, Friend, Farrington and Sub. Lt. Randal.

Opening passages were very even until the Club got going and made determined raids on the sailors' goal. Larkins started the tactics once and was only pulled up by Gander, while Pennell and Wilkie paid a visit as a result of which the goalies were called on to save. The raids that the Hampshire forwards tried in Club territory were frequently broken up by Stalker and Hamilton, who kept the opposing forward line well in check. Rather more than half way through the first moiety the naval men commenced to hustle and play began to be brisk. Stalker skied a ball to Cope who conceded a fruitless corner, while Gander, being sent forward by Barlow, failed to take advantage of a position in which only the custodian faced him.

The only goal of the match came a little time later, when Stalker was pulled up and a free kick awarded. Martin, took it, and sent the ball through the goal mouth. Cope got to it but the leather cannonned from his hands to the crossbar, and down inside the line.

In the second half the Hampshire had certainly the better of the game and kept up a pressure on the Club defence that gave them furiously to think. It is true the Club forwards got away on several occasions, but their weakness in front of goal was lamentable.

TELEGRAMS.

TROOPS IN CHINA.

GERMANY'S POLICY.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London Received March 19.

In the Reichstag, Herr Zimmermann, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said there could be no question of decreasing or withdrawing the 500 German troops in China. If President Yuan Shih-kai ceased to guide the Republic, uncertainty would probably again prevail. For the present none of the other Powers were following Russia in withdrawing troops.

CHINA'S CONSTITUTION.

THE AMENDING CONVENTION.

London Received March 19.

Reuter's Peking correspondent states that a Convention has opened to amend the Provisional Constitution.

The Foreign Minister, Sun Pao-chi, read President Yuan Shih-kai's message pointing out the restrictions which the Constitution imposed on the Government and its unsuitability to the existing conditions in China. He was convinced that members would rectify it and give peace and prosperity to the people of China.

able and robbed them of good results. Hatch and Farrington made things lively for Cope, but the latter was all there. He made a save from Farrington, who, despite plenty of time for steady-ing himself, put in a weak shot. Play continued throughout much in favour of the sailors, and the final score was:—H.M.S. Hampshire, 1; Club, 0.

RUGBY.

Hongkong Club v. Officers of the Army and Navy.

It is hoped there will be a large attendance of spectators to witness the above match, the final game of the season, which is to take place on Saturday at 4.30 p.m.

The Club are anxious to retain their unbeaten season's record, and, on the other hand, the Service men are keen to teach them a lesson, so that some stirring "rugger" should be seen. Something of the keenness of the Scotland v. England game—which, incidentally, also takes place on Saturday at Edinburgh—is sure to be infused into the game. Following are the players:—

The Club—Back, C.F. Maltby; three-quarter backs, A.S. Kempthorne, J. O. G. Fergusson, A. L. Gace, A. N. Joseland; half backs, Jasper Clark, E. L. Rouse, forwards, A. Murdoch, J. C. Taylor, C. Woodhead, H. G. Hegarty, J. B. Watson, J. M. Walker, R. B. Whittall, C. W. O. Mayne.

Officers of the Army & Navy.—Back, Sub. Lt. Addington, R.N.; three-quarter backs, Lt. Collins, R.A., Lt. Bagnall, R.A., Sub. Lt. Grenfell, R.N., Lt. Collett, R.N.; half-backs, Lt. Pym, R.A., Lt. Blagrove, D.O.L.I.; forwards, Lt. Momber, R.E., Lt. Kellie, R.A., Lt. Bisdee, D.O.L.I., Lt. Batson, D.O.L.I., Capt. Tyrrell, 26th Panjabia, Eng. Lt. Bennett, R.N., Sub. Lt. Fergusson, R.N., Sub. Lt. Cousins, R.N.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

The Kaiser's daughter has given birth to a son.

An Army of 10,000 men is proceeding against "White Wolf."

The Franco-Chinese Commission to enquire into the Annam incident is leaving for Canton.

The Government has granted a site in Trafalgar Square for a statue to Lord Wolseley.

The Convention for amending the Provisional Constitution has opened in Peking.

Portugal has promised that full justice shall be done in the case of the Rev. Mr. Bowskill.

The Prince of Wales has been decorated with the Order of the Elephant at Copenhagen.

In the debate on the Naval Estimates the Government was criticised by the Opposition.

The Imperial Naturalisation Bill has been read a second time in the House of Lords.

While motoring at Nice Mr. Balfour received a nasty cut on the nose through a stone thrown by a boy.

It is understood that the Japanese are endeavouring to obtain control of the China Merchants S.N. Co.

It is announced that there is no question of decreasing or withdrawing the German troops in China.

The Calmette affair in Paris threatens to assume equal political importance to the Dreyfus and Steinheil affairs.

The project of establishing a foundry and smelting works at Tsingtau has been explained in the Reichstag.

NEWS.

Last night's boxing competitions are reported to-day.

The famous Namoa piracy case of 1890 is recalled on an extra to-day.

The reports of the Luzon and China Sugar Companies appear in to-day's issue.

Last evening H.M.S. Hampshire beat the Hongkong F.C. in the semi-final of the Shield competition.

Log book appears on page 2, and general news on page 3, together with an account of the Sir Stuart Samuel case.

The meetings of the Hongkong and the China Fire Insurance Companies are reported elsewhere.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Army Boxing—City Hall—8.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

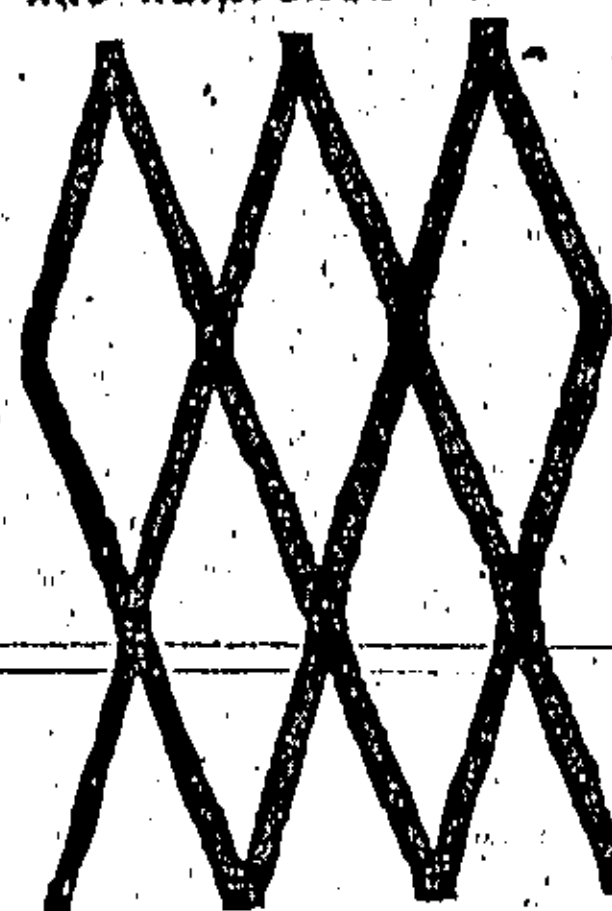
Household Furniture Sale—G. P. Lammer's Sale Room—2.30 p.m.
Army Boxing—City Hall—8.30 p.m.
Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.Saturday March 21.
Y.M.C.A. Annual Concert.
Sale of furniture G. P. Lammer No. 7, Wanchai Cheong Road—2.30 p.m.Monday March 23.
Meeting of Seafordeta and Subscribers of St. John's Cathedral City Hall 5.30.Thursday March 26.
Auction of Land at Sowkwan—Messrs. Hughes and Hough-noun.Saturday March 28.
Oxford and Cambridge Dinner, Hongkong Hotel—8 p.m.

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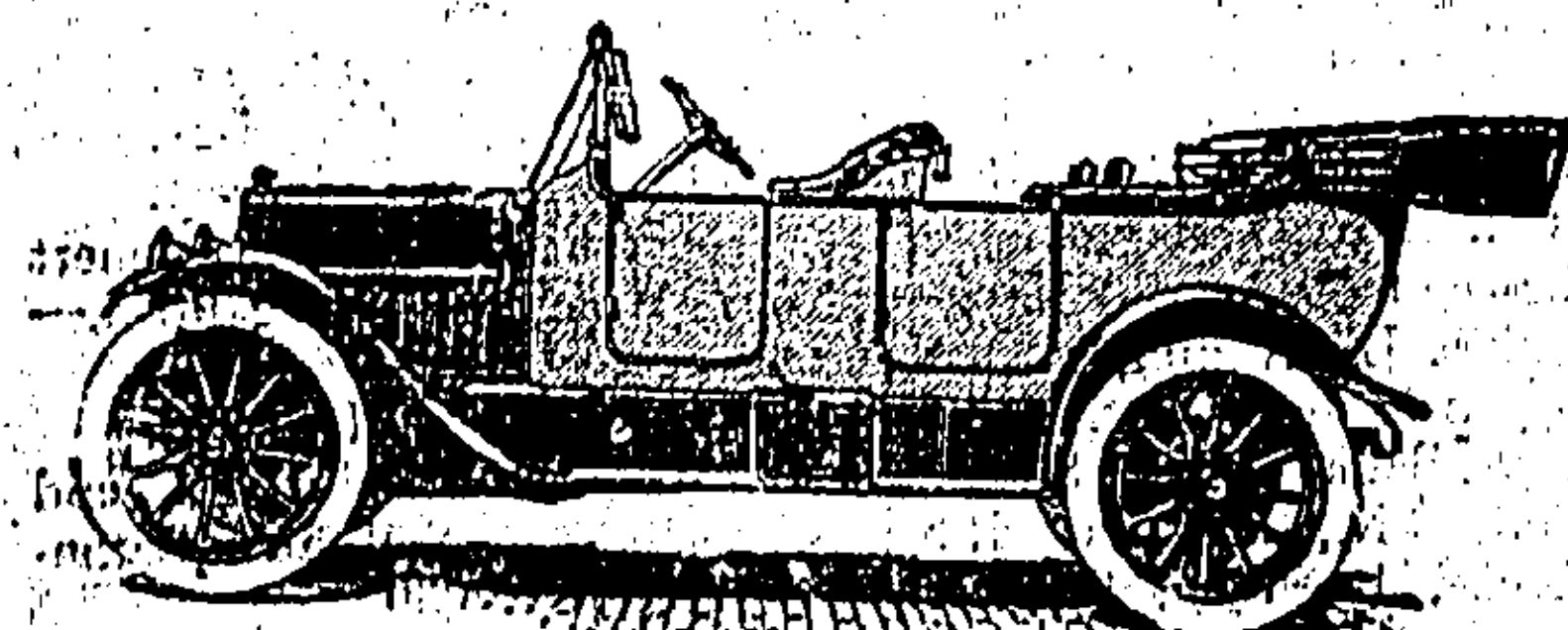
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The Abolition of Likin.
A large crowd of officials have heretofore been supported out of the likin and from these a howl of protest may be expected but as the additional cost of collecting the increased duty will be nil, the elimination of the provincial collectors of the likin will be a distinct saving, and the result will be an improvement in the administration of economic affairs in China. Some opposition will also be experienced in the provinces on the ground that as the deflection of revenue to Peking makes the provinces dependent upon the Government there for supplies, it will tend towards a further strengthening of the power of the Central Government, but this consummation is rather to be desired, as if China is to be brought to order it must be by authoritative action from Peking rather than by haphazard regulations promulgated by Tutehs and Civil Administrators in the different provinces.

Daily Press.

"White Wolf."

All the while it appears that the White Wolf is still in the field and to-day's telegram tell us that he has met and defeated the Government troops (presumably a section of them only), and is now threatening Chianfu the capital of Shensi. White Wolf is described in the Anhui Tuteh's notice offering a reward as "a fat man five feet high and about 38 years of age." He appears to have no other object in view than brigandage pure and simple, and though some attempt has been made in Peking to ascribe his activity to the inspiration and support of San Yat-sen and other leaders of the late revolution, evidence in proof of this seems to be entirely lacking. That White Wolf and his bands of marauders have been able to continue their depredations for so many months while some 30,000 Government troops are in the field to effect their suppression is convincing proof of the inefficiency of the Government forces, and while these are unable to effectually deal with brigandage of this character the position of the country is grave indeed, for there can be no telling how far this evil may spread when it is seen in the other provinces how futile are the efforts of the Government forces to suppress it.

China Mail.

Woman and the Vote.

We, therefore, are of opinion that a serious effort should be made by legislators to discover whether or not women want the Parliamentary franchise; whether, wanting it or not, they should have it, and whether the time has not now arrived when those desperate female criminals known as "Militant Suffragettes" would not be all the better of a change of air in some remote and practically desolate island. Surely, it is natural that intelligent women should wish to assist in the making of the laws of their country, and in many matters their judgment might be more safely relied on than that of men—masters affecting the welfare of children, education, so far as it affects the very young, and many other matters, regarding which women must know more than men, even though the latter approach the question as judicially and as carefully as it is possible for them to do. The only disqualification that we know of for intelligent men or women in the exercise of the Parliamentary franchise, is that they should proclaim their admiration of the criminal actions of the "Militant Suffragettes," for no amount of zeal for even the best of causes can palliate crime.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Cinema and the Young.
A number of young lads were before the Sutton Coldfield magistrates charged with a series of thefts, and the assertion was made that their appearance in the dock was largely due to the harmful influence of certain picture theatres. In several cases the lads were bound over not to enter a picture theatre for 12 months. The chairman said the town had been made notorious as a den of young thieves, and shopkeepers had been terrorized.

Foxes Poisoned.
A number of foxes have been poisoned with strychnine recently in the parishes of Great Warley and Cranham, Essex. Pieces of rabbit containing the poison have also been found on Upminster Common. The Master of the Essex Union Hunt, Captain Godfrey Haselstine, has offered a reward of £50 for information which shall lead to the discovery of the perpetrators, and a reward of £10 is also announced by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The Roger Bacon Anniversary.
The seventh centenary of Roger Bacon's birth in 1214 is to be celebrated at Oxford on June 10. A statue of him, by Mr. Hope Pinker, will be unveiled by Sir Archibald Geikie, O.M., at the Museum; and the Chancellor, Lord Curzon, hopes to be present and to receive it on behalf of the University. It is expected that delegates from the Vatican and from the Franciscan Order and from many learned bodies will attend.

Find of Old Coins.
While workmen were demolishing an old building in the High-street, Ayr, they discovered 633 coins, mostly silver, of Mary Queen of Scots. The coins are of somewhat rude make, but are in an excellent state of preservation.

Women as Police.
The suggestion that a force of women police should be appointed for Glasgow was made by Sir Samuel Chisholm at the annual meeting of the National Vigilance Association of Scotland, held in Glasgow. Sir Samuel said he favoured the recommendation of the committee to appoint women police to investigate cases of criminal assault and similar crimes and misdemeanours.

Panama Fair Hotel Rates.
With the idea of providing an absolute guarantee to exposition visitors that the San Francisco hotel men will furnish any special number of rooms at any specified price, ranging from 15 cents to \$15 a night, the newly organized San Francisco Hotel Association, after electing permanent officers, passed a resolution providing for the organization of a bureau, whose work will be to make certain the fulfilment of this guarantee. At this meeting, sixty-two hotels were represented, these in turn representing 50,000 rooms. With these accommodations the hotel men point out that they will have no difficulty in providing conventions, fraternal organizations or other large assemblages with any number of rooms at any price which they may specify in making their reservations.

\$20,000 Damage by Subsidence.
The worst subsidence in the history of the Black Country district of South Staffordshire occurred recently at Cradley Heath, near Dudley. At about 8 o'clock in the morning residents in the locality of Five Ways were startled by the shaking of the earth. Almost immediately the street for a distance of 40 or 50 yards sank 4 ft. or 5 ft., and for a length of 100 yards the shops and premises were left in a very dangerous condition. It is feared that some of the buildings will collapse. A special meeting of the Traders' Association was held in the afternoon, and it was decided to engage a mining engineer to investigate the cause of the subsidence. The damage is widespread and is estimated at \$20,000.

Radium Fund.
Mr. Denys Hague, of London, formerly of Sheffield, has contributed £1,000 to the Sheffield Radium Fund, making £1,225 now subscribed.

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COMMON INFORMER AWARDED \$13,000.

Sir Samuel Montagu and the Indian Contracts.

Mr. Justice Rowlett gave judgment in the King's Bench Division on February 16 for penalties amounting to \$13,000 against Sir Stuart Samuel, Bt., M.P., for the Whitechapel Division of Tower Hamlets, for sitting and voting in the House of Commons at a time when Messrs. Samuel, Montagu, and Co., a firm of foreign bankers, in which he is beneficially interested, had entered into certain silver contracts with the India Council.

The action was brought by Mr. John William Bird, of Hampstead, suing a common informer. The statutory penalty is £500 for each day of sitting and voting, so that the award comprehends twenty-six days. Stay of execution was granted, in view of an appeal, of which notice must be given within seven days.

In view of the Bill of Indemnity before Parliament, a counsel for Mr. Bird asked for an order that the \$13,000 be paid into Court, but the judge refused the application.

In two previous actions of precisely the same kind brought against Sir Stuart Samuel, one by Mr. O. V. Forbes, and one by Mr. Burnett, judgment was entered by Mr. Justice Scrutton for the defendant, on the ground that the suits were brought under the wrong statute.

Both the plaintiffs have entered appeals, and it is proposed that both these appeals, together with that of Sir Stuart Samuel against the judgment, if one be made, shall be taken together.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said that most of the points which were argued were really governed by the judgment of Mr. Justice Scrutton in the case of Forbes v. Samuel, whose decision he should follow. Having dealt with these questions in detail, his Lordship came, he said, to the last entrenchment of the defence, and it was curious that one should come to such a point in a case where so much money was involved. The statement of claim alleged, that on January 10, 1910, defendant was elected to serve as member for the Whitechapel Division, and thereafter at all material times sat and voted as such, and it went on to allege the votes were given in 1912. That was a mistake, because the Parliament summoned in January, 1910, was dissolved at the end of the year. As a matter of fact he was not elected to any Parliament on January 10, 1910; that was the date of the Proclamation dissolving the old Parliament and summoning a new one.

A Palpable Blunder.
Technically the date required amendment, and his Lordship had to decide whether in his discretion he should allow it. Was he to refuse it merely because this was a penal action and the penalties were enormous? It was thought fit by the framers of the Act to appeal to the cupidit of informers to ensure punishment for certain actions. The Court was not called upon to mould its proceedings in a beneficial spirit to help those who came forward to obtain these great penalties, but he had to exercise a judicial discretion and in a proper case, amendment was the right of the party and not a matter of favour.

The difficulty in this case was due to a mere palpable blunder. The date of the fact could not be in dispute, and there was no ground which he could state for refusing the amendment except a general determination to prevent the action succeeding if he could. He was not at liberty to act in that way, and must therefore amend the statement of claim by striking out the words "upon January 10," and substituting "in December." On the pleadings as so amended, defendant admitted that he had sat and voted on certain dates, judgment must therefore be given for plaintiff for \$13,000 "with full costs of the suit."

Mr. McCordie asked for a stay of execution pending an appeal. His Lordship granted a stay with regard to the penalties; the costs to be paid to the solicitors on the usual undertaking to return if unsuccessful.

Mr. Powell asked for the amount of the penalties to be paid into Court, as he did not know what would be the effect of a Bill of Indemnity.

DYSPEPSIA AND HOT WEATHER.

"I look upon it that he who does not mind his stomach will hardly mind anything else," wrote Dr. Johnson with characteristic brusqueness.

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His Lordship expressed the view that he could not take into consideration the possibility of a Bill of Indemnity.

It was agreed that notice of appeal should be given within seven days to allow of application being made for the appeal in this case being taken with those in the other actions.

The Indemnity Bill.
The Parliamentary correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* writes: Sir Stuart Samuel will probably appeal against the judgment. Sir Stuart Samuel said that he felt the matter very keenly, because his firm duly took up the silver business at the earnest request of the Indian Government, who wanted to get out of the clutches of a "silver ring," and the firm saved the Government £1,000,000. Moreover, the firm could not have been proceeded against had they been a limited liability company.

The Government have not yet decided not to proceed with their Indemnity Bill; on the contrary, it is probable that they will proceed with it and make it retrospective.

If, under the Parliament Act, the Speaker were to certify the Indemnity Bill to be a Money Bill, then, of course, the House of Lords could neither amend nor reject it.

Sir Stuart Samuel is reported by an agency to have stated that his legal expenses in connection with the action have already reached the amount of the penalty, so that he will have to pay \$26,000 if the judgment stands.

Plaintiff's Explanations.
Answering the questions of a Press representative as to why he had brought the action, Mr. Bird, who is a M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P., replied: "What I want to make quite clear is that I brought this action from motives of public policy, and I fully realized in instituting it that I was incurring very heavy expense indeed." As to an appeal, Mr. Bird stated: "I cannot say exactly what will be done in that respect, but if they go to the Court of Appeal, if necessary the case will be taken to the House of Lords. Assuming I win in all the Courts, as I shall only be allowed party and party costs, and not solicitors' and clients' costs, a large proportion of the \$13,000 will, of course, go in expenses."

"What do you think," Mr. Bird was asked, "of the probability of a Bill of Indemnity being introduced?" To this the doctor answered: "I am quite sure that this will not be done, as, if you remember, Sir Stuart Samuel himself requested that the former bill for indemnifying him should be dropped. He did this because Mr. Bird said that, having heard that very large sums of money had been

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THE NAVY ESTIMATES.

In our telegraphic news columns yesterday appeared an admirable outline of the speech delivered by the First Lord of the Admiralty in introducing the Naval Estimates to the House of Commons. The total expenditure contemplated for the coming financial year was revealed in a previous message, and the sum set aside, amounting to over £51,000,000, was, as Mr. Churchill took occasion to remark in his great speech, the largest ever presented to the House for naval expenditure. So-called economists foresaw some months ago that the figure would be a record one, for neither Mr. Churchill nor any of his echo I disguised the probabilities of the situation. All the same, the peace-at-any-price individuals may be expected to push their views to the extreme point, in spite of the well-reasoned and perfectly defensible position taken up by the First Lord of the Admiralty.

The chief point in the utterance of the head of the Admiralty was that the increase in expenditure arose out of past decisions of the House or were, in other words, consequential upon the standards which Parliament has already approved. Hence his position was thoroughly logical, showing, as it did, that the policy advised was merely a necessary sequence to viewpoints to which members had previously pledged themselves. That was the strongest card which Mr. Churchill could possibly play, and if the situation is looked at from the common-sense point of view it will be seen that the First Lord has completely taken the wind out of the sails of his adversaries. While on this point of increased expenditure it is worth while noticing one or two points on the proportion of the outlay upon defence to the total national expenditure. A few figures under this head will show that, marked as the increase is so far as naval expenditure goes, it is really nothing when contrasted with the other spending services. For instance, during the financial years 1904-5 and 1913-14, civil expenditure increased from £88,000,000 odd to over £124,000,000, showing an additional demand upon national resources of about 45 per cent. In the same period the cost of the Army and Navy combined only increased from £73,000,000 to £74,544,000, or just two per cent. These figures are eloquent, and if dispassionately considered we do not think it can be contended, in face of what is happening in the march of naval expansion in other countries, that Great Britain is unnecessarily wasteful in the sums which are allocated to national defence.

There was one thing about the speech of Mr. Churchill which was most gratifying. It had the true Imperial ring, for all through his utterance he made it clear that Britain has her own vital interests to safeguard and that the Government was determined to see to it that these were kept in view. And in this connection it was most gratifying to note that Mr. Churchill declared that Great Britain would remain independent guardians of her interests in the Mediterranean. The whole speech was sound, statesmanlike and to the point. It showed a true appreciation of the situation as it is, and, moreover, it was couched in terms which could give offence to no quarter.

Troops in China.

The announcement by Herr Zimmerman, Under Secretary for German Foreign Affairs, that there can be no question of withdrawing or decreasing the German troops in China will cause no surprise. We imagine, too, that this policy will be followed by other Powers who have forces in or on the borders of the Republic. The best reason possible was given by Herr Zimmerman when he hinted that if President Yuan ceased to guide the Republic, uncertainty would probably again prevail. No that there is any circumstance at the moment which points to the likelihood of the President being overthrown, but those who know China will admit that any and every thing is possible in the country these days. And in view of that, it would be suicidal to withdraw the only satisfactory means of protection to foreigners and foreign interests.

Causes for Caution.
The continued activity of "White Wolf" shows that the country is as yet in far from a peaceable state, and the incompetence of the Government troops to suppress the movement supplies a solid reason for every precaution being taken by the foreign authorities. It may be argued that Russia has already put her intention of withdrawal into effect. But in this regard it must not be lost sight of that Russia's borders are contiguous to Chinese territory, and therefore in the event of trouble arising she could easily move her troops into the scene of unrest. That argument, of course, does not apply in the case of the other Great Powers.

CANTON NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
New Currency Notes.

Canton, March 17.
In reply to a telegram by Mr. Wong King-kong, the Commissioner recently sent down by the Central Government to examine into the finances of Kwangtung, and another by Mr. Li Sam-ling, the Head of the Government Cash Department, requesting that the currency notes recently printed in the United States be sent to Canton, the Peking Government has consented to issue the sum of ten million dollars, which will reach Canton in five days' time. These new notes will replace the old ones, which are to be burnt.

Government Expenditure.
With reference to a telegram from the Board of Finance at Peking stating that the estimates for the third year of the Republic will be based on the expenditure of the most recent month, the Civil Administrator, in consultation with the Audit Department and the Chief Accountant's Office of the Lakan, has submitted the following details to the Board concerning the expenditure of the various Departments during February:—Administration, \$330,470.99; Communications, \$1,558.00; Finance, \$91,161.59; Navy, \$91,118.08; Justice, \$105,600.90; Education, \$41,361.25; Industry, \$8,450.00. The military expenditure has not been finally made up yet, but the amount for the whole Province may be estimated at \$1,300,000.

Loan Repayments.
At the request of the Chief Auditor's Department of the Central Government, the Commissioner of Finance in Kwangtung has submitted a report showing that foreign loans to be repaid during the current year, including interest, amount to the sum of \$1,131,872, while for the National Loan, including interest, the figure is \$5,986,035.

Mining.
Yangchun is known to possess abundance of mineral products, but the people, because of their belief in "wind and water" (fung-shui) have placed obstacles in the way of merchants working the deposits. Official instructions have therefore been given by the Administrator ordering the Magistrate of the district to investigate the position of the mines, their area and the boundaries. A report has to be presented, and this will be accompanied by a plan.

DAY BY DAY

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The Weather.
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At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 49 slight haze.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail—Left s.s. Yokohama at 8 a.m. to-day.

American, Canadian, and Siberian Mails—Left per s.s. Empress of Russia at noon to-day.
Canadian and Siberian Mails—Due per s.s. Montevideo to-morrow.

Ricksha Coolie Collapses.
A body of a ricksha coolie, who collapsed and died this morning at 2 o'clock, has been sent to the Public Mortuary.

Sailing Postponed.
The sailing of the s.s. Manchuria for San Francisco has been postponed from Saturday to Wednesday next on account of repairs necessitated by her recent mishap.

Latest Advertisements.
Consignees' notices regarding the steamers Suedmark, Nile, Yokohama and Thongwa are issued—Page 5.

The s.s. Thongwa sails for Japan on the 26th inst.—Page 5.

To-night's Concert.
An excellent programme has been arranged for the concert which is to take place to-night at 9 p.m. at St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road, in aid of St. Joseph's College Boy Scouts and Bodyguard. The contributors will be well-known local artists.

Fell from Mast.
A Chinese aged 17 years, suffering from injury to his head, received by falling from the mast of his boat while attempting to get on board the Empress of Russia, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died.

House Entered.
A Chinese shopkeeper at No. 5, Wah Hing Lane has reported to the Police that early this morning some persons entered into his house and stole a jacket valued at \$5, six gold rings, and \$574 in money.

Scaffolders' Fall.
A man named Wat Chan, aged 58 years, a scaffolder, who was suffering injury sustained by falling from No. 3 Wah Hing Lane was sent to the Tung Wah Hospital where he soon died.

Clothing Stolen.
A Chinese coolie at 223, Temple Street has reported to the Police that at 6 o'clock yesterday morning some persons stolen from his house a box containing clothing to the value of \$14.70.

The Childer.
The Captain and officers of the s.s. Childer made their deposition yesterday morning, before the acting Norwegian Consul. It is expected that the vessel will sail for Bangkok in a few days.

Brother Adrian.
Brother Adrian, principal of St. Joseph's College, left yesterday by the s.s. Kliest for Singapore.

Silk Arrival.
The T.K.K. office is in receipt of cable advice from the Yokohama Agent to the effect that the silk per the s.s. Hongkong Marn arrived at New York at 10 p.m. on the 15th instant, being five days and two hours after steamer's arrival at San Francisco.

Concert.
To St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, last evening an excellent concert was given in the presence of a large attendance. Mr. J. W. White was the accompanist and those contributing were H.M.S. Minotaur Glee Party, Miss White, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Murray Scott, Mr. R. Brown, Mr. Nash and Mr. N. V. Croucher.

"FOR SPORT AND PASTIME."

A Chinese, resplendent in a pink shirt, tied bow and European clothes, was charged before Mr. O. D. Melbourne this morning with being in 'unlawful possession' of 325 rounds of ammunition, concealed in the false bottom of a trunk.
Defendant said he wanted the ammunition for sport and pastime.
He was fined \$100, and the goods were confiscated.

GRAHAM STREET TRAGEDY.

To-day's Evidence at the Criminal Sessions.

The first Court, at the Criminal Sessions, was again packed to its limits to-day with interested Europeans and Chinese, a number of ladies being present when the hearing of the Graham Street murder charge was resumed.

The case was one in which Pang Hin-tung was charged with the murder of Li Lam-lan and Wong Wong, his wife and his mother, at 53 Graham Street, Hollywood Road, on the morning of February 8.

The Hon. Attorney General, Mr. J.A.S. Bucknill, K.C., instructed by Mr. P.M. Hodgson, the Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted and Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, the defence.

The jury empanelled were:—Messrs. H.O. Sandford (foreman), V. Sinclair Ferguson, W. L. C. Drude, P.O. Roza, S. Helme, J. C. Gutierrez and A. A. Fyfe.

The father of the accused continued his evidence. He said the elderly lady of the two who were dead was the real mother of the accused.

Accused's sister, aged 17, deposed that she was awakened by the "sounds of firearms." She switched on the electric light and subsequently saw the accused.

A plan was then put in showing the direction from which the accused was coming, the Attorney General referring to a lamp which was marked. The lamp, a small oil one, was produced.

Mr. Potter observed that if that had been marked on the plan, the P.W.D. had marked more than they had ever done before.

Witness went on to say that she then saw her mother lying on the bed "motionless and speechless and with blood on her." Accused was with her, and when he saw his mother lying there, he said he did not know what was the matter and that he would go and fetch the police.

Accused then left and witness subsequently heard some whistling, proceeding, she assumed, from the street. Her sister-in-law, that was the younger of the two victims could use both her hands.

By Mr. Potter:—After she had heard her brother running downstairs, she heard two more shots in the cubicle occupied by her brother's wife. She thereupon went into her sister-in-law's cubicle and found her lying on the floor.

The amah spoke to hearing a sound like "pok, pok" and subsequently finding the old woman lying in her bed motionless.

She thought the old woman had met with an accident with the electric light. The accused passed her on the stairs. He had an over coat in his hand. She then heard two more shots.

The Attorney General said he must treat the witness as hostile. Mr. Potter said he had to object; the law was clear and she had not given the slightest bit of evidence adversely hostile, but simply evidence that would acquit the accused.

His Lordship said that he did not think he could rule the witness hostile.
Mr. Potter said that the law was clear that he could not.

Witness in answer to Mr. Potter said that when the accused had gone down the stairs she heard two shots.
Eloquent Speech for Defence.
The case for the Crown concluded, Mr. Potter eloquently addressed the Court. There were two charges, said counsel, and he had a submission to make about them both. He would take the charge of murder first.

which could be said to show that he killed his mother.

His Lordship suggested that it might be one transaction.
Mr. Potter said that was not so; there were two separate charges and they had to prove two separate charges. There was no evidence, absolutely none. If His Lordship ruled that there was evidence that this man killed his mother, he would like to have that on his Lordship's notes.

His Lordship:—There is evidence that he had the revolver.

Mr. Potter:—Certainly my Lord.
His Lordship:—There is evidence that the bullets belonged to him.

Mr. Potter:—I will admit that it was his revolver; I will admit the bullets.

His Lordship:—And the bullets found in the deceased correspond; and the police found him there. Isn't that evidence?

Mr. Potter replied that it was not even a scintilla. If he had a revolver in his house and the police found that a person had been shot with it they could then put him in the box and charge him with the murder if he happened to be in the house at the time. He could find no case to support that, on the contrary he found there were cases that said that such could not be so. He would deal with the first charge and having got rid of that he would deal with the second. No case could be allowed to go to the jury on murder case where the only evidence was that the wounds were caused by a revolver which was admitted to be the property of a certain man. It was not conceivable, and he had to confess that in his own short experience he had never heard of a murder case being left to the jury on that evidence, and he would venture to submit that the learned Attorney General had not either. He would give his Lordship authorities if he liked.

His Lordship:—The prisoner is found on the premises when the police got there.

Mr. Potter:—I want a ruling from your Lordship first as to whether there is evidence to go to the jury.

His Lordship:—I have already indicated one piece of evidence; I don't know whether that is enough.

Mr. Potter:—I want the point absolutely clear that there is a rule by your Lordship that there is evidence to go to the jury.

His Lordship:—I shall not withdraw the case on that.

Mr. Potter:—There is no harm citing authorities to your Lordship on that point. Then I shall decide to call no evidence.

His Lordship:—I have heard many murder cases in my time.

Mr. Potter:—I venture to submit in your Lordship's experience you have never heard of a case sent to the jury where the prisoner is charged with murder because a person was shot with a revolver that he owned.

The Attorney General:—And the man was in the house.

Mr. Potter:—Yes, and the man was in the house. Counsel then went on to cite authority for his contention and gave the case of the Queen against White in which it was laid down that mere probability was not sufficient. The Crown had to prove to the exclusion of every reasonable possibility that the man in the dock was guilty of the crime. It would be better by far, dramatically exclaimed counsel, that twelve guilty men should escape, than that one innocent man should be hanged.

He would prove by analysis of the evidence that the man in the dock was not guilty, and could not have committed either of the crimes whereof he was charged. He had no need to prove that—it was not for him to prove anything, but he would satisfy them on analysing the evidence that it would have been humanly impossible for that man to have committed those two crimes. It was humanly impossible—it was utterly out of the question that on the evidence before them they could take upon themselves the terribly grave responsibility of finding that man guilty of murder. In order to impress upon them the terribly grave responsibility that rested upon them in a case of that kind, he would remind them of the words, the solemn words,

FORGED NOTES CHARGE.

Case Resumed at the Criminal Sessions To-day.

Before Mr. Justice G. M. P. sitting in Criminal Jurisdiction, at the Supreme Court, this morning, the case was resumed in which Lam Ying-man, U. Yat-cho, Tsok San, Wai Hing and Chan-ohi, were charged on numerous counts with the forgery of Kwangtung banknotes, at Lantau Island in December last.

The Crown Solicitor (Mr. J.H. Kemp) prosecuted and Mr. F.O. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, defended U. Yat-cho, the others being undefended.

All pleaded not guilty.

The jury was composed as follows:—Messrs. G.A. Dias (foreman), P.J. Taylor, W. Ocker, H. B. Bridger, C.H. Larsen and J. R. Forbes.

A Chinese from Canton gave evidence of identification as to Lam Ying-man. He said he had seen him before. He identified others of the prisoners as persons he saw when he visited Cheung She-lan, at Lantau in December last. Whilst at the last-named place he saw the printing machinery which was now exhibited in Court. The machinery was in the house of one of the prisoners. He went to the house of Lam and had a conversation with him about banknotes. He told Lam he wished to buy some notes, and Lam told him that "None had been made well yet," and that he was not to be deceived, as it was all nonsense.

He was shown two notes, but he was of the opinion that they would not pass, as the portrait of Chan Kwong-ming was not clear. Lam told him that if he took the notes he would not be able to get rid of them, as they were not good enough, adding that if anyone went to the island to trouble him he would shoot them. After taking tea he went with Wai to a wooden house on the hillside and saw the other machine.

By Mr. Jenkin:—He was a business man in Canton, and dealt in paint. The colours he sold were not used for printing forged notes and could not be used for that purpose. The colours seized by the police were foreign colours. He only sold colours of native manufacture. He had some friends in the police office in Canton.

Mr. Jenkin:—Were you told that if you did not come down here and give evidence you would be shot?

Witness:—No.

Mr. Jenkin:—That is the advantage of being a friend of the police, I suppose.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

The first two prisoners were sent to gaol for seven years with hard labour, three and four to five years with hard labour, and the fifth to three years with hard labour.

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that were always read out by the Registrar of that Court before the jury was empanelled—
"These men you shall now hear called are the jurors who are to pass between our Sovereign Lord the King and you, upon your life and death."
The case was proceeding as we went to press.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

THE SUFFRAGIST QUESTION.
(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Dear Sir,
I read with much interest and amusement the letter of your correspondent "Heretic," and his ideas of chivalry in connection with the Militant Suffragette. I pondered long over his allusions to Sir Galahad. Then I had a vision of the Sir Galahad of Arthurian Romance; forsaking his quest of the Holy Grail, with his knightly sword drawn, heading a horde of unsexed shrieking viragos; assisting them to desecrate churches, destroy works of art and set fire to private property. Then I woke up, still more "disgusted."

I wonder if "Heretic" really believes those creatures (I cannot call them women) are fit to take part in the government of a great nation.
No "Heretic," I still think the birch is the best solution to the problem. You ask where is the modest flower of English chivalry? Well I think it is very much to the fore. If a woman was guilty of any of the crimes and mean actions committed by the Suffragettes he would certainly be severely dealt with, and I do not think hunger-striking would help him. But because they masquerade as women, (have the mark) their crimes are overlooked.

All honour to women who are women, and I honestly believe that the great majority of English women, who are worthy of that great name, look upon the Militant Suffragette with the contempt they deserve.

I am, yours faithfully,
DISGUSTED.
Hongkong, March 18.

CAN IT BE THE TIGER?
(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Dear Sir,
Mr. Dennis O'Toole writes me as follows:—I was returning to my house early on Wednesday morning and had entered the garden, when I was startled by a heavy crash in the Bohine bush. I turned round sharply and saw two great eyes fixed upon me, looking for all the world like a couple of glasses of *creme de menthe*. I remained quite still and returned its gaze for some time; till I suddenly realized, to my horror, that the huge owner of the eyes was noiselessly stalking me. Knowing instinctively that flight was useless, I threw myself flat on my face and took cover behind a small palm in a pot. The enormous cat-like creature continued to advance stealthily and I was bathed in perspiration through fright. Only when the animal was crouching to spring did I cry out. I immediately lost consciousness; but my shouting must have saved me. I did not come to till daylight and was surprised to find myself still alive in the garden with no worse consequences than a damaged dress-suit and a bad headache. I did not report the occurrence, because I have seen the same animal on previous occasions about this time of year, and I do not think he can be so unfriendly as his appearance would give one to expect. He is certainly not a tiger, but is more like a leopard. I should say—his coat the colour of John Jamieson and his spots rich emerald green, in shape not unlike a shamrock.

Yours, etc.
LEOPARD.
Hongkong, 19th March.

A Mad Captain.
An unusual incident occurred during the hearing of a case at the Devon Assizes, at Exeter, before Commissioner Harrison. A man of gentlemanly appearance rose in the gallery of the Court and exclaimed: "I demand justice, my lord. I am an inmate of the Wonford Asylum and am kept there against my will, although perfectly sane."
Before he could proceed further he was seized by an attendant and a couple of police constables and conducted from the Court. He gave his name outside as a late captain of the Royal Artillery.

SPECIAL CABLES.

RUSSIAN TROOPS LEAVE.

(Special Pacific Service to the Telegraph—Reuter.)
Peking, Received March 18.
The Russian Legation troops left Peking yesterday morning.

AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

Peking, Received March 18.
Mr. Sun Pao-chi opens the Constitution Amendment Conference at ten o'clock to-day.

THE JAPANESE SCANDALS.

A CASE OF SUICIDE.

Tokyo, Received March 17.
A man named Yoshida, an employee of the firm of Siemens and Schuckert, whose statements under examination provided the basis for many arrests and who was himself involved as the go-between of the firm and the naval men, committed suicide yesterday afternoon in his cell in Tokyo gaol. It is reported that he made a full confession prior to committing suicide.

THE ANNAM INCIDENT.

Peking, Received March 18.
The Chinese members of the Franco-Chinese Commission to enquire into the incident on the Annam border are leaving for Canton.

"WHITE WOLF."

BIG ARMY MOVE AGAINST REBEL CHIEF.
Peking, Received March 18.
White Wolf has defeated the Government troops at Kingtzekwan and is now threatening Lianfu.

Hankow, Received March 18.
A letter from Kwangchow states that an army ten thousand strong is proceeding westward against White Wolf.
Brigands have surrounded Tienkiang, in Szechuan province, and partly destroyed the city though the officials still hold possession.
Troops are being sent from Chungking.

CHINA MERCHANTS S. N. CO.

REPORTED ENDEAVOUR BY JAPANESE TO SECURE CONTROL.

Peking, Received March 18.
It is understood that the Japanese are endeavouring to obtain control of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company.
It appears that Sheng Kung-pao holds 18,000 tea shares out of a total of 40,000. Thirteen thousand shares of Sheng Kung-pao's holding are mortgaged to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and it is stated that immediately the Haneying loan is concluded the mortgage will be paid off and the shares transferred to a Japanese bank.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.
The C.P.R.s. EMPRESS OF INDIA 1002 miles from Yokohama on the 17th March at 8 p.m. and is due to arrive Yokohama on the 21st March at 6 a.m. will leave Yokohama on the 23rd March at noon.
The T.K.K.s. TENYO MARU which sailed San Francisco on the 21st Feb., is expected to arrive at this port via Honolulu, Japan Ports & Shanghai on the 21st inst. at between 8 to 10 a.m.

To-day's Advertisements

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THE DIVIDEND of \$7.00 and BONUS of \$3.00 per Share declared at the Forty-Fifth Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after FRIDAY, the 20th March, 1914.
Shareholders are requested to apply to the office of the Company for warrants.
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C. PEMBERTON,
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Hongkong, 19th Mar., 1914

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No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.
All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown Wednesday, March 25th, 1914, at 10 a.m.

No claim will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.
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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless information is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 25th of Mar., will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th of Mar., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 1st of April, 1914, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.
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Hongkong, 18th Mar., 1914. [1182]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"THONGWA,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.
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FROM EUROPE.

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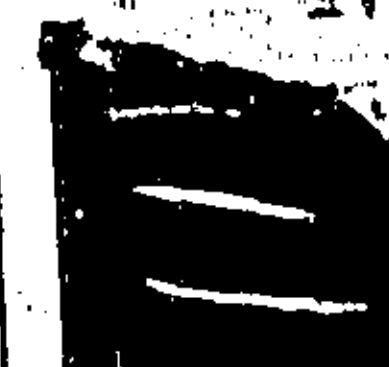
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The Aquitania.
Another important stage towards the completion of the construction of the mammoth new Cunarder, Aquitania, Britain's largest liner, has been reached by the placing in position the last of the four huge funnels. Extensive preparations had to be made for hoisting the funnel and lowering it into position. Several hundred men were employed in the operations, including a large body of engineers and riveters, waiting on the ship to secure the massive structure. It was lifted by the 150 ton cranes, and to obtain the proper adjustment all the gangways had to be taken away. The width of the funnel fore and aft is 24ft., or as large as a railway tunnel. The top is over 16ft. above the keel, or, to make another comparison, it would extend over 20ft. above the Nelson column in Trafalgar Square. Each funnel, with its section of uptakes and boilers, weighs 1,500 tons, and the total for the four funnels—6,000 tons—will convey some idea to massive proportions and extent of the machinery necessary to propel the world's premier liner.

The Kongo.
An official of the Kure Arsenal is reported by the Nagasaki Press to have confirmed the report that the battle-cruiser Kongo, which was built at Barrow, has developed serious structural defects. He declares that the plates were not properly rivetted and that the gun-turrets will need repair before the vessel has been in commission three years. He says the exact condition of the plates cannot yet be determined on account of the paint. When the Kongo was docked at Kure in January the work which it was found necessary to do took thirteen days to complete. The vessel will probably be in dockyard hands again shortly.

Three Notable Vessels.
Two vessels of exceptional interest were launched by Scottish shipbuilders during a recent week, and references was made to a third which also promises to make a special appeal to those interested in marine engineering.

The first of the twin-screw motorship Mississippi, built at Messrs. Harland and Wolff's Glasgow yard for the Atlantic Transport Line; the second the steamer Transvaal, built by Messrs. Ramage and Ferguson, Leith, for the East Asiatic Company of Copenhagen; and the third a large auxiliary sailing vessel which was stated at the launch of the Transvaal—Messrs. Ramage and Ferguson are building, also for the East Asiatic Company.

New Steamers.

The steamer Sargara, built for the Koninklyk Paketvaart Maatschappij, has been launched. The engines will be delivered by the Rotterdamse Droogdok Maatschappij. The steamer Singkap has also been launched by Boole and Pot at Bolnes for the same company. She has a loading capacity of 850 tons, and will have a speed of nine knots, and is intended for passenger and cargo service in the Dutch East Indies.

New Arrangement.

Commencing from March 11, the first-class return tickets between Shanghai, Tsingtau, Chefoo, and Tientsin and vice-versa have been made interchangeable with the steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., and Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

New Fish Dock.

Tenders are about to be invited for the construction of the new fish dock at Grimsby. The accommodation provided at the two existing docks, which have a combined water area of 29 acres, has for some time past been insufficient for the needs of the 650 steam trawlers and herring boats which supply the port with fish. Nor are the market facilities commensurate with the growing trade. Hence the decision of the Great Central Railway to provide an entirely new fish dock, and to reconstruct and extend the fish market.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1914.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

The China Fire Insurance Co. Ltd.

The annual general meeting of shareholders in the China Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., was held this noon at the offices of the company when the Hon. Mr. E. Shilling presided. There were also present:—Mr. J. W. C. Bonner, Mr. H. A. Siebs, Mr. W. L. Patterson and Mr. E. Goetz, directors, Messrs. J. A. Plummer, F. Smyth, G. C. Moxon, W. S. Jackson, J. M. E. Machado, K. D. Gazder, T. G. Weill, F. B. L. Bowley, A. H. M. da Silva, J. M. Alves, E. M. Couracao, Shan Pat and Leung Yuen, shareholders, and Mr. O. Pemberton, secretary.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

The directors' report and statement of accounts together with the auditors' report for the past year having been in your hands for some time, I will with your permission adopt the usual custom and take them as read. Before proceeding with the business of the meeting I have to express on behalf of myself and the board our deep regret at the death, since the issue of the report and balance sheet, of the chairman of the company, Mr. G. F. Friesland. He had been on the board for six years and had always taken the keenest interest in the welfare of the company. It is pleasant to be able to report that the year 1912, in spite of unusually heavy losses, turned out favourably, leaving us with a balance of \$341,403.07. Subject to your approval we propose dealing with this sum as follows:—

Dividend of 27 and bonus of \$3 per share on 20,000 Shares.....\$200,000.00
Add to Extra Reserve Fund.....135,013.17
Bonus to Office Staff to be placed to their Credit in Staff Provident Fund.....6,389.90
\$341,403.07

The balance at credit of working account 1913 is \$426,277.34 which while smaller than last year, I think can be considered as satisfactory.

The company's surveys have reported on our mortgage loans and find same satisfactory. These loans show a decrease of \$303,938.14 owing to the repayment of mortgages and the difficulty in replacing them.

During the early part of last year your directors took advantage of the high rate of exchange ruling, to remit further sums to London and you will notice that our sterling investments have been increased by \$32,981.07. Fires in our particular field were unusually numerous and several conflagrations in Manila and cotton fires in Shanghai served to materially swell our losses, which was the largest on record. The year in the latter place has I am sorry to say opened none too favourably.

Before closing I should like to refer to the proposed alteration in our articles of association, copies of which are by now in your hands. In the new articles you will notice we are taking powers to transfer any form of insurance except Life. This I would point out is purely defensive, for it is not our present intention to use these powers and we should probably only do so should competition drive us to this course.

I will now move that the Directors' report and statement of accounts for the year 1913 be presented and adopted. After this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be put relating to the business before the meeting.

Mr. Plummer, in seconding, said:—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I am sure I am only voicing the sentiments of all the shareholders when I express our sincere regret at the loss which

the company has sustained in the death of the late chairman, Mr. Friesland, and also our appreciation of the valuable services which he has rendered in the past. Gentlemen, I am sure we have all listened with great interest to the chairman's remarks and I think we have every reason to congratulate ourselves and the directors in the fact that, despite unprecedented losses in 1912 and 1913, the balance of the working account shows only a comparatively small falling off from what has been recognized as an exceptionally good year, and further, after setting aside the considerable sum of \$135,000 to Extra Reserve, our directors are still able to recommend the same dividend and bonus as was paid last year. Our Chairman did not comment upon the fact, but I am pleased to notice that the Profit Income shows a satisfactory increase, which I think is indicative of steady progress. In spite of the fact that the current year has, to quote our chairman's words, opened none too favourably in Shanghai, I think we may look forward with every confidence to the future. With these few remarks, I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts for 1913 presented at this meeting.

There being no questions the Chairman said:—The adoption of the report accounts has been proposed by myself, and seconded by Mr. Plummer. Those in favour will please hold up their hands—against—carried unanimously. The next business is the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. E. Goetz as director.

Mr. Jackson:—I have much pleasure in proposing the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. E. Goetz as director.

Mr. A. H. M. da Silva:—I beg to second.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. Jackson, and seconded by Mr. da Silva, the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. Goetz as director. Those in favour please hold up their hands—against—carried unanimously. The next business is the election of auditors.

Mr. Bowley:—I have much pleasure in proposing that Mr. Bonner and Mr. Patterson, be re-elected as directors of the company.

Mr. Machado:—I beg to second.

The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Bowley and seconded by Mr. Machado that Mr. Bonner and Mr. Patterson be re-elected as directors of the company. Those in favour please hold up their hands—against—carried unanimously. The next business is the election of auditors.

Mr. Smyth:—I beg to propose that Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown be appointed auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$500 each.

Mr. Weill:—I beg to second.

The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Smyth and seconded by Mr. Weill that Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown be appointed auditors at a remuneration of \$500 each. Those in favour please hold up their hands—against—carried unanimously. The Chairman:—That is all the business; thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready and may be had tomorrow on application at the office.

The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Chen-nam, J. M. Alves, J. M. E. Machado, and A. H. M. da Silva, shareholders, and Mr. L. N. Leese secretary.

The Chairman:—As it is past the hour for which this meeting has been called and as there is a quorum present, I will ask the Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting and also the auditors' report.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

The Working Account for the year 1912 has, I am glad to say, resulted in a very satisfactory profit. The premium income has not been maintained at quite so high a figure as that of the three preceding years, but exchange influences are to a great extent responsible for this, and it is gratifying to note that a substantial increase appears in respect of the year 1913. Losses for the closed year work out at the exceptionally low ratio of 29.84 per cent. of the premium and expenses at 28.13 per cent., a very satisfactory figure.

The income from interest shows a diminution, to be attributed, as explained by my predecessor a year ago, to the difficulty in obtaining satisfactory investments in the Far East.

We have, during the past twelve months, as a consequence, made further purchases of gold securities, which, of course, return a smaller percentage than what we have hitherto been accustomed to. It would seem, from the present outlook, as if it were likely that we should have to invest still more of our funds in gold.

It is fortunate that the necessity for doing so has arisen at a time when our various funds are increasing, and the decline in income which would otherwise be very marked, is stayed by the growth of the funds which are available for investment.

This leads me naturally to a consideration of the Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account instituted a year ago, and which now stands at the modest figure of \$6,946.04.

Since we have adopted the policy of writing our securities, up or down as the case may be, to their value on 31st December, it is clearly wise to make, out of our good years, provision, not only for the decline in the market value of the securities—which was so prominent a feature last year of what are still, euphemistically described, as gilt-edged investments—but also for the fluctuations in their values as expressed in silver attributable to the vagaries of exchange.

It is for these reasons that the Consulting Committee recommended the addition of \$58,131.74 to the account designed to meet these contingencies, which will then stand at just over \$65,000.

To the Reserve Fund it is proposed to make an addition of \$50,000 bringing that Fund to the amount of the unutilized Capital of the Company, and with a dividend of \$27 per share, as in former years, the year's profit of \$324,131.74 is absorbed.

I should add that the Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the favourable result of the year, to vote a bonus to staff of 10 per cent. upon their salaries.

Working account for the year 1913 has, I am glad to say, gone quite satisfactorily for the first 12 months, and promises a favourable final outcome. Fires, as you are aware, have been very frequent in the area from which a large portion of the Company's income is derived, and many of them have been serious in extent. We have been fortunate in avoiding some altogether, whilst in other cases our limits have restricted our loss to a moderate figure.

In many respects the Company's Articles of Association have been found unsatisfactory, and the Company's solicitors have been at work upon a draft of new articles designed to remove the

SPECIAL CABLES.

SHANGHAI SUICIDE.

A FORMER HONGKONG MAN.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Received March 19.
G. Petersen, for several years an employee of Messrs. Jebsen and Company, Hongkong, committed suicide this morning. He joined the Customs here a short time ago.

points to which objection can be made.

The draft will be ready almost almost immediately, and opportunity will be taken, to seek for the Company fuller powers which will enable it to transact such other classes of insurance as it is found, under present day conditions, are frequently applied for in connection with the arranging of fire insurance business, and an extraordinary meeting of the Company will be called shortly to obtain the necessary sanction of shareholders.

I now have pleasure in proposing that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and after this resolution has been seconded it will be before the meeting for discussion and I shall be glad to answer any questions arising out of it which shareholders may wish to put.

Mr. Denison:—I beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be passed.

The Chairman:—Proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Denison that the report and accounts as presented be passed; the matter is now before the meeting for discussion. As no shareholders wish to make any remarks, I will now put the resolution. Those in favour please signify in the usual way. Those against—carried unanimously.

Mr. Haxton:—I beg to propose that Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. Whitts, Maitland and Gubbay be re-elected to the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Machado:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—The re-election of Sir Paul Chater, and Messrs. Whitts, Maitland and Gubbay to the Consulting Committee has been proposed by Mr. Haxton and seconded by Mr. Machado. Those in favour please signify—against—carried unanimously.

Mr. A. H. M. da Silva:—I beg to propose that Mr. H. Percy Smith and Mr. A. R. Lowe be elected auditors to hold office until the next ordinary meeting at a remuneration of \$400.

Mr. Osmond:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—The election of Messrs. Percy Smith and A. R. Lowe as auditors has been proposed by Mr. da Silva and seconded by Mr. Osmond. Those in favour please signify in the usual manner—against—carried unanimously. That concludes the business of the meeting and I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready tomorrow morning and may be obtained on application.

"THE PEAK TIGER."

We have had further testimony regarding the supposed appearance of a tiger on the Peak. It is said that near the houses Nos. 5 and 6, the pugs of a tiger are to be seen very distinctly, and the breadth of the pugs in one particular spot is fully eight inches. It is evident, too, by the way the footprints run almost alongside those of deer, that the animal, be it what it may, has been stalking the deer. In another spot the wanderer seems to have slipped down-hill as it has pulled a quantity of the earth from the hillside with it.

MR. CHURCHILL'S SPEECH.

AUSTRALIAN MINISTER'S OPINION.

London, Received March 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that Mr. Allen, Minister of Defence, states that Mr. Churchill's speech on the Naval Estimates demonstrates the advisability of another Imperial Conference of Defence. He does not believe that Mr. Churchill's suggestion of an Imperial Squadron, or the despatch of Dominion ships to Home waters, will find acceptance in Australia.

THE PARIS AFFAIRE

GOVERNMENT EMBARRASSED.

London, Received March 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that there is a general feeling that the Government has received a severe blow by the resignation of M. Caillaux.

The chances of the Republican Federation, headed by MM. Barthou and Briand at the forthcoming elections are strengthened.

It is expected that M. Monis will resign, at least temporarily in order to testify at the Rochette Commission of Inquiry.

BILLIARDS.

A new match was commenced yesterday evening at the Soldiers' Club in the first round of the Soldiers' Club Billiards Tournament. The 88th Coy. R.G.A. met the R.A.M.C. and as the result of the first two games, established the satisfactory lead of 170 points. Bombardier Pritchard beat Major Crisp by 250 to 136, making a good break of 23 as against his opponent's best effort of 14. C. S. M. Bliss also beat Capt. Monteith 250—183, the latter's best break being 15 and the former's, 22. The scores to date are as follow:—

88th Coy. R.G.A.
Bomb. Pritchard.....250
C. S. M. Bliss.....250

Total.....500
R.A.M.C.
Major Crisp.....136
Capt. Monteith.....185
Total.....321

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The following will represent the Club against the Staff and Departments in a League match on Saturday; the match will be played on the Club Ground, play to commence at 2 p.m.
Messrs. T. E. Pearce, (Captain), C. O. Clarke, A. A. Olafson, P. H. Cobb, D. E. Donnelly, R. Kennedy, M. M. Maas, S. S. Moore, R. L. Stokes, R. P. Thursfield and R. L. D. Wodehouse.

Left Wondering.

We wonder whether the huge efforts of the London dailies to capture the football public are worth while, asks the Advertising Weekly.

Anyway, they make the Monday papers very dull for folk who have not the football frenzy.

BOXING

"Break--carry on."

There was not as good attendance at the City Hall last night for the opening of the D. O. L. I. boxing tournament, as one would have expected, but no doubt when it comes to the final, and even at the eliminating contests to-night, there should be an increase in the attendance. There was not a small audience by any means, but it appears to have got abroad that the tournament is purely a service one and that civilians are not expected. This impression is erroneous.

The boxing on the whole was of poor second-class order, the best bout of the night being the one from which there was least expected, the "go" between Briggs and Olley. Stevens, in his bout with Gurling, might have taken matters just too easily, and he was fortunate to have been given the opportunity of fighting another round and thereby given a further chance of asserting himself. He rose to the occasion it is true, but we would prefer a little more fighting from the seaman a little less of the swing-and-duck style which he is endeavouring of late to pass off for boxing. It may worry an opponent of a certain class, but with a man who knows the ropes, the dropping head would be trapped rather severely before the owner was long in the ring.

The final round was certainly a good one, and we hope to see more of that from Stevens. The well-known local "feather", Smith, put up a disappointing show, though he won. Of late this clever lad of the past seems to have gone back considerably. Lieut. Wilson, R.N., and Captain Horne acted as referees during the evening, whilst the judges in turn were Captain Horne, Lieut. Huxton, Capt. Bagger and Lieut. Wilkinson, R.N. Lieut. Paske was the timekeeper.

Regimental Welter.
Pte. Siddway beat Pte. Wardle, Pte. Palmer and Pte. Comington put up a fierce fight, but Palmer, having a better knowledge of the game, secured the verdict. Pte. Grego outpointed Pte. Bindall.

The fight between Pte. Pillsbury, A. Co., and Pte. Ing was a very fast one. Both men exchanged readily, but in the last round Pillsbury collapsed. "Open Feathers."
Bugler Buckley, R.M.L.I., though losing to Pte. Smith, D.O.L.I., gave the latter all he wanted in the first round. In the remaining two, however, Smith's superiority was very obvious, the bugler being outclassed.

Stoker Redrup, H.M.S. Minotaur, beat Gr. Hewitt, 87th Co., R.G.A.

A. B. Grayston, H.M.S. Minotaur, retired in the second round to A. B. Sullivan, H.M.S. Minotaur.

Regimental Light.
Bugler Catmore knocked out Pte. Bruckley in the first round.

Open Welter.
Signalman Wilkinson, H.M.S. Minotaur, had very little to do in his encounter with A. B. Dalton, H.M.S. Minotaur, the last named sailor giving up in the first round.

Amusement more than an artistic exhibition, characterized the bout between A. B. Vane, H.M.S. Merlin, and Gr. Thomas, 87 Coy. R. G. A., the latter securing the decision on points.

A. B. Taylor, H.M.S. Minotaur, literally punched Tele Smith, H.M.S. Usk, to a standstill and secured a well-earned verdict. O.M. Basil, H.M.S. Hampshire, gave up in the second round of his encounter with Pte. Colquh, H.M.S. Tamar.

Regimental Feather.
Pte. Knight retired in the first round of his go with Pte. Moyle. Another man beaten in the first round was Pte. Hodson, the victor being Pte. Smith (33). Pte. Carey doled out the sleep-

GRAHAM STREET MURDER CHARGE.

The Verdict.

The jury in the Graham Street murder charge returned a verdict of not guilty on both counts, and the prisoner was discharged.

Open Middles.

L. S. Stevens, H. M. S. Minotaur, beat Pte. Gurling after an extra round had been fought. The Soldier exchanged merrily with the sailor and at the conclusion of the third round, points were even. In the extra round, however, Stevens, commenced to box in his old style, and soon had the soldier perplexed. Stevens secured the decision, both men being loudly applauded.

Gr. Law, 88th Coy. I., G. A., in the first round of his "go" with Pte. Pillsbury, D. O. L. I. gave up.

A. B. Motherway, H. M. S. Minotaur, defeated A. B. Vane, H. M. S. Merlin. Motherway, applied himself to boxing whilst the loser tried to amuse the spectators.

Regimental Middles.

After being cautioned twice, Pte. Smith, 99, retired from the ring and the fight was awarded to his opponent, Pte. Higgins. Though Pte. Rose, D. Coy., beat Pte. Berry, he was fortunate to get the verdict, as he was cautioned twice during the encounter.

Open Light.

A. B. Wilcox, H. M. S. Hampshire, defeated Gr. Dalzell, R. G. A., after a very hard-hitting fight.

The surprise of the evening was the contest between Sapper Richards, R.E. and Stoker, Leek, H. M. S. Minotaur. Richards has always impressed one with being a nippy and clever youth, and in his fight with Terry Lynch on Saturday he doled out some fierce punishment to the American. But last night, when up against the stoker, he did not appear to be coloured. There was obviously something wrong with him, and as to whether it was that he was not up to the mark or whether he had a slight "funk" of his opponent, is a matter for conjecture. His show was miserable in comparison with his exhibitions in the past, and had he gone out for it he would have made good, as the stoker, beyond fighting his way out of difficulties, did little in the leading line. Leek got the verdict and he was entitled to it on the performance.

Undoubtedly the best fight of the night was the last. The contestants were A. B. Briggs and Pte. Olley, D.O.L.I. From the start the fight was fast, both men punching with force and determination to bring the contest to a head. In turn both of them looked as if they could not possibly go any further, but the audience was deceived all the way. In the first round Olley was nearly giving up, but when a voice rang out "Stick it Olley," he decided to make another effort. Finally the referee ordered another round to be fought and this was just as fierce as those that had gone before. Olley got in some terrific punches to the jaw with his right, and Briggs was too helpless to do anything but go where he was driven. Olley got the verdict and as the men left the ring they both received an ovation.

To-night there is to be another entertaining night, the serious eliminating trials taking place.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1914.

FAMOUS PIRACY RECALLED.

The case of the s. s. Namoa
23 Years Ago.

The determined piracy of the Norwegian steamer Childar this week recalls a similar outrage which took place in 1890, the ship concerned being the Douglas steamer Namoa.

So far as case of the Childar is concerned, there is very little that is new to report. A survey of the ship has shown that much of the damage done was done wilfully. In the bridge house all the instruments were stolen except the sextants, while in nearly every compartment drawers, lockers, etc., were smashed to pieces by the pirates. The second officer, Mr. Olson, appears to have recovered somewhat from the effects of the injury to his head, which he received from the butt-end of a revolver of one of the pirates. He has sustained a nasty wound, however. The date of the sailing of the Childar has not yet been fixed.

The famous Namoa piracy presents many circumstances of a like nature to those associated with the holding up of the Childar, and for that reason the following description which is taken from the Hongkong Telegraph of December 11, 1890, will be read with interest.

In these piping times of peace it seldom falls to our lot to have to chronicle such horrible tragedies as those that were enacted on board the coasting steamer Namoa yesterday afternoon. Hongkong was awakened this morning with the startling intelligence that Messrs. Douglas Lapraik's steamship Namoa had put back to the port after having been captured and looted by a gang of pirates, and colour was given to the story by it being quickly seen that the Namoa's flag was flying half-mast and it was soon ascertained beyond doubt that the rumour was only too true. The vessel had been attacked, the Captain, a saloon passenger, and some of the crew murdered. The attack was planned on much the same lines as was that on the Greyhound on the 17th of October 1885, and the whole scheme was carried out in a manner that proved everything had been most carefully arranged before hand, and the plan of attack evidenced a thorough knowledge of the rules of the ship on the part of the author or authors, as will seen from the details which follow. This makes the fifth foreign ship that has been attacked by native pirates in the immediate vicinity of Hongkong within the last 27 years, which fact will surely have due weight with the authorities and the shipping companies themselves, and be the means of inducing them to invent some preventive measure which will place beyond possibility a recurrence of yesterday's tragedy.

The following accurate details of this occurrence are obtained from the most reliable sources:—The Namoa left Hongkong at 8 o'clock yesterday morning on her usual trip, bound for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, having on board five saloons and 240 Chinese passengers. Nothing unusual occurred until tiffin time when at 1.15 p.m., acting on a preconcerted signal, about 35 or 40 of the Chinese passengers showed themselves in their true colours and armed with revolvers and cutlasses began their murderous work. Dividing themselves into four parties they simultaneously attacked the officers' mess room, the bridge and the engine room, and the saloon where Captain, the chief officer and four of the passengers were at tiffin. Mr. Petersen, light house keeper at the Lamcocks, who was on the deck at, was at once murdered—four shots being fired into his head—the deck where he fell being covered with blood. The course of the Namoa was now

altered by the pirate Chief and she was steered out to sea—ultimately being taken outside Pedro Blanco and then slowly back to Mendocino Island where she was anchored by the pirates about 7 a.m.

In the meantime a wholesale fusillade was being kept up on board the ship, the miscreants firing into the saloon and throwing "stink pots" down endeavouring to suffocate those whom they could not reach with their bullets. After indulging in this amusement to their hearts' content they ultimately sent a deputation down to the saloon to inform the Captain and passengers that if they came on deck and "quietly submitted" to be locked up whilst the ship was being looted, no harm would come to them. This apparently was agreed to, and while in the act of obeying their summons poor Pocock was shot down. The bullet entered his right breast and no doubt penetrated the lung. He was conscious to the end, and did not seem to suffer much pain. All that could be done for him under the circumstances was done. In the meantime, Mr. Richardson (second officer)—who is acknowledged to have acted coolly and bravely all through the trying ordeal—was marched around to collect the passengers and officers. When this was done and the pirates had them all safely barricaded in the Captain's state-room they seemed to devote the whole of their attention to looting and did not molest their prisoners further. After turning all the Chinese passengers out of the "ween decks" they proceeded to business in earnest and are said to have made a very good haul. They also ransacked the baggage of the European passengers and looted them, and the officers of the ship and everything of value including gold watches, &c., not forgetting a bundle of Manila lottery tickets that were in the possession of one of the officers.

Notwithstanding their wanton cruelty in murdering two men in cold blood, booty seems to have been the chief object of the pirates, for had they chosen they could have massacred every living soul on board. They stove in and destroyed every boat on the ship and it really seems that at one time the fate of their unfortunate captives hung in the finest of balances. No doubt the miscreants were highly pleased at the successful issue of their adventure, and having made such a prize were anxious to get off with it. On coming to anchor at about 7 o'clock they signalled to four confederate junks which were waiting for them; these came alongside and took the booty on board. They are supposed to be Hongkong junks but no one, apparently, was in a position to take their numbers. When all was ready and the junks loaded the pirates forced the firemen to draw the fires and also to blow steam off, and as a reward for these services threw them a bag of dollars (supposed to be about 200) before finally taking their departure. Once over the side it may be supposed that it took but a short time for the prisoners (who had hitherto been barricaded in the state-room, guarded by four pirates) to break out. The anchor was slipped, steam got up and the Namoa, under the command of Mr. Eldridge, the chief officer, made the best of her way out to sea, and was safely brought into Hongkong harbour at 8 o'clock this morning. It's seldom that such a tale of the sea is to be told in these days, but all things taken into consideration the marvel is that so many escaped with their lives, which doubtless they owe chiefly to bad marksmanship and faulty weapons. Besides Captain Pocock and Mr. Petersen, who were shot down in what can only be called cold-blooded fashion, the pirates are responsible for the lives of two Malays, one of whom they wounded and threw overboard and other who

died in the Civil Hospital this morning from the effects of a shot in the groin. There was also two Chinese cooks who were wounded, the 2nd engineer who was shot through his wrist, and the 3rd officer who has a bullet in his arm. The latter four are in the Civil Hospital whither they were removed on the arrival of the Namoa this morning, and where, under the skillful hands of the talented medical staff of that institution, they will doubtless receive every attention and speedy relief.

In the foregoing hastily written report there are, perhaps, gaps which we cannot fill up in a better way than by attaching the statements of two of the officers of the Namoa. As they were in different positions in the ship until they were finally imprisoned in the Captain's room their stories will have additional value.

Mr. Alex. Jones, 3rd engineer, who was in the engine room at the commencement of the attack, says:—The first I knew of the business was when Eddy, the 3rd officer, came down in the engine room pursued by some of the pirates. We planted under the boilers and remained there until Richardson came down loaded with the loot of the pirates and induced us to come up on deck. In the meantime Ramsay, who also behaved splendidly, was returning the fire of those above with lumps of coal and was eventually shot in the arm. We left the engine room and went on deck to be marched under an armed escort to the state-room where we found the rest of the officers and passengers already imprisoned. The pirates no sooner had us in there than they commenced looting our cabins and needless to say cleaned us out of everything that they considered of value. In some cases they did not wait to ransack the lockers but bodily took them and their contents away to be examined at their leisure. Mr. Richardson was made, under a guard of some twelve revolvers, to collect the passengers and crew and finally when they were safely barricaded in, the pirates gave us little thought, and went cheerfully on with looting and feasting. They had a thorough "jamboree" and no doubt were well satisfied with the results of the day. When we once got rid of them it did not take us long to slip the anchor, get steam up, and make our way into harbour here.

Another officer, who must have as many lives as the proverbial cat was good enough to let us have his version of the affair. He says:—The first I knew of the business, or that anything out of the ordinary was occurring on deck, was by hearing a dog making a tremendous row on deck. I was in my cabin at the time, but went out to inquire into the matter and the first thing I saw was a scuffle between one of the quarter-masters and a Chinaman, they were also eight or ten Chinamen firing revolvers aimlessly apparently, but making a hideous row. I went to see the quartermaster and found he was wounded, and on looking round noticed that I had become a target for the group of whom I have spoken. I made the best of my way aft to the saloon, but had to "run the gauntlet," and how I escaped is a miracle, for no less than five men fired point blank at me. One shot grazed my cheek and the bullets were flying about like hail in a storm. However, I got safely to the saloon which to my surprise I found empty, but on calling out I was answered by Captain Pocock, who was then standing at the entrance to the boy's room. He made some casual remark, to the effect that this was a bad business. I then proceeded to open some of the ports for the stench from the "stink pots" that had been thrown down the saloon was unbearable, and the room was full of smoke. We held a council-of-war (with the length of

the saloon between us) and thought it would be better to wait results where we were. In about a quarter of an hour's time a deputation—consisting of the ship's carpenter and a fireman came down from the pirates and informed us that if we went up and quietly submitted to being imprisoned whilst they looted the ship no harm would come to us. Pocock and I discussed it and agreed to go up, for, said I, we might as well be shot on deck as anywhere else; he led the way and while in the act of stepping up the companion, was shot down. I then decided to remain where I was, but in a little time the second mate (Mr. Richardson) came to say that the Captain had been shot. I then went up and was at once confined with the others in the Captain's room. He had been shot in the breast and was not then dead. I washed his face with water and we did all we could for him. He died about 20 minutes after being shot. A quarter of an hour or so elapsed and then the balance of the crew were brought in, making ten in all, but after this we were in no way molested by the pirates who were going on with the looting and apparently had quite enough to do in that direction. When we came to anchor, which was at about 7 o'clock, our captors signalled, with the steam whistle, to their confederate junks. There were four of them, I think, and they took on board all the booty which had been collected from the ship. None of the cargo, so far as I know, was touched, but it is computed that they got close on £20,000 worth of valuables and property from the unfortunate passengers. The pirates had a distinctive badge consisting of a knotted piece of red tape to which was attached a cash. They also carried their revolvers suspended from their necks by balyards, and were under the command of one chief who was "here there and everywhere." The following is a list of the saloon passengers:—Mr. E.K. Chandler, Mr. Petersen (murdered), Captain Saunders, Mr. C.E. Mehta, and the Rev. Mr. Wales.

We are courteously informed that H.M. gunboat Linnet will leave for the scene of the attack tomorrow morning taking with her Captain Stewart of the Chinese Revenue Service. No doubt every effort will be made to bring the miscreants to justice. [It should be added that subsequently the pirates were captured, one lot being executed on April 17, 1891, at Kowloon City, and another batch, including the leader, on May 11 following.]

To Business in a Flying Boat.

Every month Mr. Glenn Curtiss's flying boats come into more general use among wealthy amateurs of sport in the United States. Mr. Harold McCormick, son-in-law of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, daily travels in a flying boat from his home thirty-five miles across Lake Michigan to Chicago to his office. Last summer an American gentleman farmer flew 1,020 miles in an actual flying time of 18 hr. 10 min. in a flying boat, traversing Lakes Michigan and Huron.

Tango Teas at Shanghai. The "Tango Teas" which are being held at the Astor House Hotel twice weekly, are proving to be a very popular innovation and with a limit on the number of invitations, the attendances are quite as large as the management of the hotel can cope with. At the entertainment on the 10th inst. well over 200 people were present, and the "Tango" exhibition, as given by Misses Phillips and Elbe, and Mr. Snrags, was thoroughly enjoyed. The band of the Hotel gave an excellent selection of music, and with introduction of the very popular one-step and waltzes into the programme many guests participated in a very pleasant entertainment.

MOTOR STATISTICS.

Some Amazing Figures.

It has been estimated that on January 1 over 440,000 motors of all kinds were in use in the British Isles.

Of these over 254,000 are touring, public service, and commercial motor-cars, and the rest motor-cycles. Nearly 1,700 additional motor-vehicles are being added to this substantial total every week. It is further calculated that these motor-vehicles cover in the aggregate over 3,100,000,000 miles of roads in a year, says the Times.

As may be surmised from these figures, motoring has been the means of building up a vast industry. The Board of Trade returns show how erroneous is the popular idea that foreign cars are in the majority, and that our foreign trade is small in comparison with that of other nations. Although we import 4,000 more cars than we send abroad, we export more than 16,500 motor-cycles, against less than 1,400 imported; and we are over half a million sterling to the good on gross turnover of the whole trade.

It can be safely computed that the cars and cycles at present running in Great Britain and Ireland aggregate a present value of approximately £55,000,000 while their first cost, the money spent on the purchase of motors during, say, the last ten years, cannot have been far short of £120,000,000. The purchase price of motor-cycles averages about £50, and the price of cars ranges from as low as about £75 for a cycle-car to £1,200 or £1,500 for the six-cylinder limousine. Close on 20 millions sterling—to be exact £19,912,428—was the sum spent on the purchase of new motor-cars by British motorists and cyclists last year, and to this has to be added the value of the spares and accessories—the supply of which forms a very substantial branch of the motor trade—amounting to £5,773,395.

But the annual expenditure on new purchases, large as it is, is completely dwarfed by the cost of running the motor-vehicles, which are now upon the road. Motoring has built up an industry in the manufacture of tyres which is almost as large as that of the car-building trade itself.

The annual tyre consumption approximates £14,521,000. Next to tyres the cost of petrol and lubricating oil bulks heaviest in the motorist's expenditure. The fuel and oil bill works out at close on £8,500,000.

Moreover, the cost of repairs, renewals, and periodical overhauls amount to over six millions; while motoring brings into the Exchequer over one and a half million sterling in registration fees and licences, and the insurance companies benefit to nearly the same amount.

While many, probably most, motor-car owners keep their cars in old coach-houses converted to a new use, large numbers of cars are stored in public garages, or in buildings specially rented for the purpose. The figure for rent and garage accommodation amounts to two and a half millions. But the heaviest aggregate expense of all is on the looking after, driving, and care of the cars, the need for which has opened up a new calling of vast extent.

The number of motor-car drivers is about 150,000, and their wages, at the rate of 35s. per week, together with the wages of other hands employed about a car, amounts to the sum of £13,582,000. These several items together reach to over £47,994,000 as the "running expenses" of the motorist, and when that sum is added to the cost of new cars we have the enormous aggregate of close on £74,000,000. Yet these figures cover only the direct expenditure upon cars and

their running, and take no account of the money expended indirectly in connection with motoring, such as the cost of suitable clothes for motoring and hotel and travelling expenses on tour, which certainly adds several millions to the aggregate amount.

The spending of this money benefits, directly or indirectly, an enormous number of people, and particularly the industrial classes. The proportion of direct labour expended in the actual production of a car varies greatly according to the conditions under which it is produced. It is low where highly organised machine tool shops are engaged in the production of the standardised mechanical details of the chassis, and high in regard to parts of the body to which standardisation cannot be applied. The average of direct labour on the whole car is about 20 per cent. But this does not by any means cover the entire labour cost to the manufacturer. It only covers the labour directly employed on construction in the motor-factories. There are, in addition to the items of rent, rates, and taxes; heating, lighting, and power, the wages of the unskilled helpers throughout the works, the salaries of the works manager and his staff of supervisors.

When the machine is finished still more labour is required for its distribution and sale. There is a large staff of clerks in the commercial departments of the different firms, managers, travellers, and salesmen, and thousands of depots and agencies all over the country, all employing labour in taking care of and selling cars. From first to last, at least 60 per cent. of the cost of a motor-car represents labour, the balance being, not manufacturer's "profit," but such items as rent, rates, fuel, lighting, heating, advertising, travelling expenses and carriage, office expenses, agents' commissions, depreciation of plant and machinery—which represents a loss—and "profit" which can be distributed in dividends, which may represent not more than some 10 per cent. or 15 per cent. of the whole; while even in the numerous items mentioned as making up the balance of 40 per cent. an appreciable amount goes for labour in one form or another.

Apart from the cost of the cars, if we similarly analyse the other items comprising the expenditure on upkeep, as already set out we shall find that each and all pay their quota to labour. Tyre prices, for instance, probably cover a 40 per cent. proportion of wages to British workers, apart from their influence on labour abroad on the rubber and cotton plantations. Fuel and oil, while produced almost entirely abroad and representing an immense industry there, call for work in home refineries, in canning and can making, and in handling and distribution; which will account for some 20 per cent. of their price. At least 50 per cent. of the cost of repairs and renewals goes to labour, while even such items as garage expenses, licences, and insurances also mean the employment of labour in helpers, collectors, and clerical staff.

Taking all of the heads of the expenditure of owners of motor-cars the benefit, directly, and indirectly, to British labour aggregates £37,550,000. If the average of the wages and salaries of all engaged in the motor trade and its allied industries be taken as high as £100. per annum, this means that 375,500 people obtain their employment, and that something like 1,000,000 of the population are supported by the industry of motoring.

Then there is the very important item of depreciation, which, although not an item of direct out-of-pocket expenditure, is an expenditure, nevertheless, representing loss of capital and should, correctly speaking, be included. If this were done, it would add another £11,000,000

CINEMA NEWS.

King Manoel's Visits.

King Manoel and Queen Augusta Victoria have been paying frequent visits to cinematograph displays in Richmond. They went to the Talbot Theatre, and to the Castle Theatre, staying a couple of hours on both occasions and seeing the programme through. One of the items was a version of "Alphonse Daudet's 'Sappho.' They purchased seats and prefer to be regarded as ordinary members of the audience.

Cinematographs in Japan. Mr. Percy Wark, of the Kinemaolor Company, who has just spent a year in the Far East installing the apparatus of the company in towns throughout Japan, stated that the Japanese were taking a keen interest in cinematography. In Tokyo alone there were over 100 picture theatres, in Osaka 50, and in Kyoto 15. Japanese producers were producing a series of native plays in natural colours, and these would probably be shown in London in the autumn.

Mr. Wark gave a command performance before the Emperor in the Imperial Palace at Tokyo.

Cinematograph Censorship. In the report of the British Board of Film Censors for the year ended December 31, 1913, it is stated that since the inception of the board, 7,023,931 ft. of film has been examined, which includes 7,413 subjects. Of this number, 8,861 have been passed for "universal" exhibition, and 627 have been passed for "public" exhibition with the "A" certificate. Exception has been taken to 166 films by the examiners.

Many of these films were eventually passed, after certain eliminations had been made, varying in amount from five or six feet to hundreds of feet. Twenty-two films were entirely rejected by Mr. Redford.

Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd. The report of the directors for the year ended December 31, 1913, states:—

The gross revenue for the year from all sources amounts to Tls. 801,328.79 as against Tls. 571,838.84 in 1912; and that the balance of working account, transferred to credit of profit and loss account, is Tls. 425,503.57 as against Tls. 409,233.65 the previous year.

An interim dividend of 15 per share at Exchange 2/7½, absorbing Tls. 62,602.91, was declared and made payable on July 25 last. After writing off Tls. 15,000.00 for depreciation on permanent works, paying interest on Debentures and sundry other items, there remains a sum of Tls. 300,988.36 at credit of profit and loss account available for distribution, which the directors recommend be disposed of as follows:—

To payment of a final dividend for the year of 3s. per share at ex. 2/7½ per Tael..... 208,019.28 To equalization of dividend account Tls..... 20,000.00 To reserve fund Tls..... 30,000.00 To carry forward to new account Tls 42,969.08 Tls..... 300,988.36

to the total, as 20 per cent. on current value is usually estimated for this item in taking out a balance-sheet, and it has been shown that the aggregate current value of the vehicles in use approximates £55,000,000. So that if these items are considered, it is certain that, at the present rate of increase, the gross expenditure upon all branches of motoring will, before the present year is out, reach the enormous annual figure of £100,000,000. The Times.

Public Auction.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m.** at No. 7 Wongneicheong Road, Wanchai.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.
(Full particulars from Catalogue)
On view from FRIDAY the 20th March, 1914.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **FRIDAY, the 20th March, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m.** at his Sales Rooms, Duddell St.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture
Comprising:—
TEAK SIDEBOARD, EXTENSION DINING TABLES, CHAIRS, DINNER WAGON, ICE CHEST, GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, etc., etc.

DOUBLE BEDSTEAD, TEAK WARDROBES WITH BEVELLED MIRROR, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND, CHESTS OF DRAWERS, EASY CHAIRS, CARPET, LACE CURTAINS, PICTURES, VASES, ORNAMENTS, etc., etc.

Finely Carved Canton Blackwood-ware

Comprising:—
CURIO STANDS, COUCH, CHAIRS, TEAPOYS, FIRE SCREEN, STOOLS, FLOWER STANDS, etc., etc.
TWO PIANOLA COTTAGE PIANOS & PIANOLA MUSIC SECTIONAL AND FOLDING MUSIC CABINETS.
ONE TREADLE SEWING MACHINE.
On view from Thursday the 19th, March.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from John Arnold Esq., to sell by Public Auction on **SATURDAY, the 28th March, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m.** at his residence No. 3 The Albany (Albany Road)

The Whole of His Valuable Household Furniture
comprising:—
TEAK SIDEBOARD WITH BEVELLED MIRROR, TEAK DINING TABLE & CHAIRS, TEAK OVERMANTELS WITH BEVELLED MIRRORS, DINNER WAGON, GLASS CABINET, BOOKCASE, HATSTAND, BRASS FENDERS AND FIRE BRASSES, DINNER AND DESSERT SETS, VERY FINE CLASS WARE, CUTLERY, WINE STAND, 3 ICE CHESTS, etc., etc.

EASY AND FANCY UP-HOLSTERED CHAIRS (POWELL MAKE), CARVED CHERRY-WOOD OVERMANTEL, TEAK CABINETS, BRUSSEL CARPETS, AXMINSTER RUGS, SILVER CABINET, LACE CURTAINS, ORNAMENTS, etc., etc.

DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS, MARBLE TOP TOILET TABLE, SEVERAL TEAK WARDROBES, CHESTS-OF-DRAWERS, TEAK WRITING DESK, LINEN WARDROBE, PHOTOGRAPHIC GEAR AND CHEMICALS, CHINESE AND JAPANESE PORCELAIN, A FINE ASSORTMENT OF PICTURES, ENLARGED PHOTOS, GRAMOPHONE RECORD CABINETS, ELECTRICAL FITTINGS AND RADIATORS, ONESAFE, MARBLE BATH, BATHROOM AND PANTRY REQUISITES.

Some Canton Blackwood: CABINETS, JARDINIERS, TABLES, STOOLS, TEAPOYS, LADY'S DESK, COUCH etc.
On view from Friday the 27th March.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Don't forget after the Show Supper, and Light Refreshments, **ALEXANDRA CAFE, Open Till Midnight.**

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of the
Will of the late Mr. A. A. D. SASSOON

PUBLIC AUCTION
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to sell by **PUBLIC AUCTION** on

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Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, The Auctioneers.

G. R.

It is hereby notified that the right to quarry Stone on the following Lots of Crown Land for a period extending from 25th March, 1914 to 30th June, 1915, will be let by Public Auction to be held at the offices of Public Works Department, on Monday, the 23rd day of March, 1914.
Full particulars and conditions may be obtained at this office.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Quarry Lot No.	Locality.	Contents in Acres	Upst. Area in Acres
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Consignees

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
GENERAL AVERAGE.

S.S. "MANCHURIA"
The above mentioned vessel having arrived consignees of cargo are hereby notified that owing to the s.s. "Manchuria" striking ground on or about March 6th, 1914, when leaving Nagasaki, a General Average has been declared and before delivery of cargo can be given the General Average Bond must be duly executed, a deposit of 5% of the invoice value of the goods paid, and valuation statements and copies of invoices furnished.
Cargo will be landed immediately into the Company's godowns at West Point, and consignees are further notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of all damaged cargo.
Cargo remaining undelivered on Monday, March 23, 1914, at noon will be subject to landing and storage charges.
No Fire Insurance, whatever will be effected.
All damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godowns immediately after completion of discharge.
No claims against cargo loaded on board since the occurrence of the fire will be entertained unless accompanied by a short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. and no claims will be allowed in General Average unless accompanied by certificate signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.
All claims must be filed on or before April 16, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognised.

R. O. MORTON,
Agent.
Hongkong, 18th Mar., 1914. [1914]

Hotel Lists.

Hongkong Hotel.

Abraham, E. S.	Jay J. W.
Adler, L.	Junior G. B.
Agassiz, Mr. and Mrs. E. L.	Layton Mr. & Mrs. B.
Anthony Mr. & Mrs. E. W.	Joe M. T.
Arnold Mrs. A. K.	Kiddie Comdr. and Mrs. J.
Babin Mrs. P.	Kittleson Dr. O.
Bate E. R.	Lambert E. B.
Bell C. D. J.	Larkin T. J.
Boer Mr. & Mrs. O.	Law, G. E.
Billings Mrs. W. H.	Lee-Jones J. W.
Bowack J. W.	Linburg R.
Brewster G. E.	Lindbergh Capt. Lloyd G. T.
Brownson Rear Ad. and Mrs.	Logan, W.
Burton E. L.	Macdonald Mr. & Mrs. J.
Bungey A. P.	MacWilliams Miss L.
Cambridge, A. J.	Mason, C. Farebrother
Cathlin H.	Matheson, Miss M.
Cartmail Miss	Matheson, Mrs. R. T.
Castro, Mr. & Mrs. E. D. A.	Marriott, Dr. O.
Castro, Miss D.	Martin, Mr. & Mrs. G.
Castro, Master D.	Marr Miss
Clark Mr. & Mrs. G.	Mayer E. B.
Clark Mr. and Mrs. A.	McIntosh, B. K.
Clough	Meyer, P.
Coleman, Dr. A.	Meyer, C. E.
Conway Long J.	Morris J. Mr. & Mrs. M.
Coste V. T. L.	Mickle D. M.
Coste Miss E. L.	Middleton G. S.
Curry, G. P.	Miller D. B.
Clayton, W. E.	Milner Mrs. H.
Dehn R. M. R.	Milner Mrs. H.
Dehnan, Mr. & Mrs. & 2 children	Moore Dr. and Mrs. W. H. B.
Douglas, Mrs. R. H.	Ngel Mr. & Mrs. P.
Douglas D. S.	Nebenzahl Sig.
Doyle Mrs. J. M.	O'Leary, Miss G.
Dormer Mrs. C.	O'Neill, A. A.
Downie W.	Pearson, A. C.
Duncan, J.	Pence Miss A. J.
Dunn Mrs. Z. G.	Peterson, A.
Dutton W.	Perry F. A.
Ehrenfeld, Mr. & Mrs. H. E.	Pierce Mr. & Mrs. C.
Elstinger K. W.	Purcos A. P.
Elstinger J.	Putnam E. E.
Elstner	Raymond E. M.
Fennelough S.	Raworth, B.
Fehr H.	Reay, Miss F.
Feld G.	Ray, E. H.
Gallotti, A.	Raymond, Miss
Glover H. A.	Richard Mr. & Mrs. E. A.
Gibbons Miss N.	Richardson F.
Gibb J.	Rickets W. Mr. and Mrs.
Giles Mr. & Mrs. A.	Scott Mr. & Mrs. G. C.
Gordon, A. G.	Sibley J. C.
Georgy, I.	Sharp E. H.
Gunn W. J.	Smith W. M.
Gulbourn, V.	Smyth F.
Gould, Mr. & Mrs. J.	Sorenson A. B.
Grant J. H.	Southey J. B.
Grierson, P. D. de	Squire, Miss A.
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Hart, Mr. & Mrs. E. A. C. M. G.	Stepp Mrs. J. J.
Hawcock H. E.	Taylor Miss M. E.
Holman P. H.	Trank Dr. & Mrs. H. J.
Henty Mr. & Mrs. B.	Wakeman G. H.
Holopath Major, & Mrs. W. A. P. D.	Walker, Capt. H. A.
Hind, W. B.	Warry C. P. D.
Hirschman F. L.	Weigelsberg F. de
Hobbs H. W.	Wells Mrs. A. W.
Hordern R. de L.	White, F. W.
Howard Miss L. W.	Wilchinski N. M.
Hutton-Fotis G.	Winkler Mr. & Mrs. E.
Ierous S.	Wood G. C.
Jaffe D.	Zossenheim L. L.

Grand Hotel.

Allen M. & Mrs.	King
Amery Mrs.	Madariaga
Armstrong	Matheson
Barr	Mayer Mr. and Mrs.
Bond	Osbey Miss
Colmann	Raeid Mr. and Mrs.
Crew Mr. and Mrs.	Rance H.
Findorff	Redford Mr. & Mrs.
French	Rohn
Gall Capt.	Rolls
Grant	Rosell Mr. & Mrs.
Gillardone Dr.	Schultz
Houry	Smith
Hsu	Wills
Jackson	Wesmanin
Johnson	Wiesenhorn
Koyl Dr.	

King Edward Hotel.

Murray Bain H	Keen A E
Borin Mrs	Kraft Mr and Mrs
Budge W	W D
Butterfield Miss E	Lauritzen Mr and Mrs
Clegg K	Mrs C
Cox F W	MacDon D A
Crunk Mrs C K	Malcomson Capt
Diven J	and Mrs
Diven Miss	Manninga F W L
Donaldson W A	Mansey Miss
Enright E L	Matson Dr & Mrs
Evans E W	Molntyre I M
Gill Mrs	Moly Mr & Mrs J
Graves Mr D W	N
Hall P O	Nobbs A P
Haupt A	Oudenhoren W
Hayner H A	Pasmore Capt &
Haug E B Ho A	Mrs W C
Hough Mrs L R	Shepard Mrs H M
Houston Miss K	M Swire D
Houston Miss O	Spurge H S
Houston Miss H	Sibaway Mrs G T
Houston Miss K	Jr USA
Houston Miss J	Thornson G
Hummel G	Veitch
Insoophi T	Walker Dr H K
Jooku J	Westphal K J

AMERICA'S CUP YACHT.

Well Known Skipper Considered Logical Successor of Barr.

Capt. William S. Dennis has been selected as the skipper of Alexander S. Cochran's American Cup yacht that is being designed by William Gardner and is to be built by Lawley & Son of Boston. Captain Dennis never had command of an American cup defender or even a boat built for a defender, but he is one of the best-known racing skippers in the country and has been considered by most yachtsmen to be the logical successor of the late Captain Charles Barr.

They raced against each other on many occasions, and each scored victories over the other. While skipper of the schooner Elmina, Captain Dennis won an enviable reputation for keen judgment under trying weather conditions, frequently going off on what seemed futile wind hunting expeditions and thereby turning apparent defeat into victory. He is also one of the cleverest professionals in the game of jockeying and taking advantage of others' weaknesses, and if the Cochran boat is selected as the defender over the Herreshoff craft being built for a syndicate of New York Yacht Club members the skipper of Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock IV will find a worthy foe ready for him off Sandy Hook. In the trial races to select the defender Captain Dennis will be opposed on the syndicate boat by Robert W. Edmonds of Boston, who is an amateur.

Captain Dennis was spoken of as a possibility for America's cup defence work before the last races for the cup. His skill was then acknowledged by all racing yachtsmen. His home is in Greenport, N. Y., and he has spent the greater part of his life on the water. When fifteen years old he had charge of a fishing sloop that put in at Greenport. His first yachting experience was in the cutter Minnie Rogers, and with her he beat all the boats of her class on Gardner's bay. The late Edward E. Chase's schooner Clio was the first large vessel he commanded. With her he also won many races. Then he had the sloop Triton, the schooner Troubadour and the schooner Norma. All of them he raced with success.

ESTIMATES LIKELY TO BE REALIZED.

The revenue for the financial year 1913-14, which ends on March 31, amounted up to February 14th to £158,804,527, or in round numbers £158,805,000. The estimate for the year is £194,825,000, and there remains, therefore, £36,020,000 to be collected during the remaining six weeks.

Of this amount nearly half is income-tax, the receipts from which to the above date were £28,560,000, while the estimate for them for the financial year is £45,950,000. The sum still to be collected from this source is £17,381,000, and about £2,750,000 per week, or, roughly, £558,000 per day, is needed in order to make good the estimate for this source of revenue; there does not seem likely to be a failure in this respect. The Customs have produced up to last Saturday £20,512,000, and as the estimate for them is £35,200,000, £4,688,000 more, or about £738,000 per week, is required; this also seems likely to be realized, though not with absolute confidence. The Excise has already brought in £34,461,000 and £38,850,000 is expected from it; about £693,000 per week is required in order to make good. The only other large sources of revenue are the Death Duties, which always remain a little uncertain up to the end of the year, and the Post Office, which may always be relied upon to produce rather more than was estimated. On the whole, it seems probable that the total estimates will be realized, but there is no likelihood, so far as can be seen, of any considerable excess.—The Times.

Commercial.

Freights and Fixtures.
Messrs. W. G. Hale and Co.
report from Saigon, February 28, as follows:—

Tonnage.—Quotations stand as follows: 15/16 cents to Hongkong; 30/34 cents to Java; 20/30 cents to the Philippines; 28/29 cents to Japan and 16/17 cents to Singapore.

Charters.—The following are the settlements: German steamer Marie, part cargo 30,000 piculs to Hongkong at 14 cents per picul rice; British steamer Pooting, 38,000 piculs to Hongkong at 14 cents per picul rice; British steamer Telemachus, 38,000 piculs to Hongkong at 14 cents per picul rice; Japanese steamer Tamon Maru No. 1, 36,000 piculs to Hongkong at 14 cents per picul rice; German Johanne, 32,000 piculs to Hongkong at 15 cents per picul rice; British steamer B. and S. Co., 38,000 piculs to Hongkong at 15 cents per picul rice.

The Decline of Indigo.
A correspondent of the Indian Daily News writes from Bankipur:—Indigo is rapidly becoming extinct. This year only 63,100 acres have been sown as compared with 90,100 acres last year. There will be some 7,000 owts for sale as compared with double that amount last year. In 1895 indigo represented Bihar's prosperity. In 1896 some German chemists produced the chemical substitute, and the same year plague made its appearance in Bombay. Both have done incalculable harm to Behar, though ordinary zemindari produce has no risen in price as to retain for the province its accustomed wealth.

Public Companies.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.
NOTICE.

THE Thirty-Sixth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 30th March at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON AND CO., LTD.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 10th March, 1914.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.
NOTICE.

THE Thirty-Second Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 30th March at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 10th March, 1914.

THE HONGKONG & WHAM-POA DOCK CO., LTD.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Connaught Road, Hongkong, on Monday, 30th March, at 12 o'clock (noon) for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 30th March, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Secretary.

MARTIN'S
APIOL & STEEL
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A French Remedy for all Irritations of the Urinary and Biliary Systems. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all cases of Catarrh of the Bladder, Nephritis, Pyelitis, and all other diseases of the Urinary and Biliary Systems. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all cases of Catarrh of the Bladder, Nephritis, Pyelitis, and all other diseases of the Urinary and Biliary Systems.

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Public Companies.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE 30TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 31st March, 1914, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1913, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 26th March to Tuesday, the 31st March, 1914, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 18th March, 1914.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-FIFTH MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1914, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th March to 19th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 26th February, 1914.

EUROPEAN AGENCY.
WHOLESALE buying agencies undertaken for all British and Continental goods, including—

Books and Stationery, Boots, Shoes and Leather, Chemicals and Druggists' Sundries, China Earthenware and Glassware, Cycles, Motor Cars and Accessories, Drapery Millinery and Piece Goods, Fancy Goods and Perfumery, Hardware, Machinery and Metals, Jewellery, Plate and Watches, Photographic and Optical Goods, Provisions and Canned Stores, etc., etc.

Commission 2½ to 5%.
Trade Discounts allowed.
Special Quotations on Demand.
Sample Cases from £10 upwards.
Consignment of Produce sold on account.

WILLIAM WILSON & SONS
(Established 1814).
25, ABchurch Lane, LONDON, E.C.
Cable Address: "Annuaire, London"

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years. He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" office or direct to 37 Hollywood Road, 1st floor, Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

MAN LOONG.
FIRST-CLASS PRESERVES, GINGER AND SOY MANUFACTURERS.

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WE are the leading Manufacturers in this class of Goods. Our Fruit & Ginger are all fresh and of the first pick. Our Syrup is prepared from the best quality of Sugar. We give our special attention to our business and sanitary arrangements.

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MOTOR CARS ON HIRE
66 & 68 Per Hour.

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Banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York
London Office: 55, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES:—
Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Capital and Surplus Gold \$20,000,000
equal to £4,000,000

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS TRANSACTED.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.
DEPOSITS RECEIVED. As for one year at 4 per cent, or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.
BILLS NEGOTIATED AND COLLECTED.
MAIL AND TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES MADE.
LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS issued on all the principal cities in the world.
THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.
COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.
PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.
TRAVELLERS CHECKS sold and cashed.
GEORGE HOGG,
Manager,
2, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.
Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital 30,000,000
Reserve Fund 18,550,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches:—
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.
Agencies at:—
Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Cebu, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.
Paid-up Capital £1,200,000
Reserve Fund £1,700,000
Proprietors Liability £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWETT,
Acting Manager,
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

NOTICES.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up...£1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.
General Managers,
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [3]

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.
7.00 A.M. to 8.00 A.M. Every 15 Mins.
8.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. " 10 Mins.
10.00 A.M. to 12.00 A.M. " 15 Mins.
12.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.

NIGHT CARS.
8.30 P.M. to 9.30 P.M. 10.00 P.M. to 11.00 P.M.
11.00 P.M. to 12.00 P.M. every half hour.
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.
8.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. Every 15 Mins.
10.00 A.M. to 12.00 A.M. " 10 Mins.
12.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.

NIGHT CARS at 10.00 P.M. to 12.00 P.M.
Extra Cars at 11.00 P.M. to 12.00 P.M.
SPECIAL CARS
By Arrangement at the Company's Office.
Alexandra Buildings,
1st Floor, Road.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling \$1,500,000 at 2/-
Silver \$17,650,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Hon. Mr. D. Landale.—Chairman
W. L. Pattenden, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.

S. H. Dodwell, Esq.
E. Goetz, Esq.
C. S. Gubbay, Esq.
P. H. Holyoak, Esq.
C. Landgraf, Esq.
J. A. Plummer, Esq.
Hon. Mr. E. Shillim.
H. A. Siebs, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. Stabb.
MANAGER.
Shanghai—A. G. Stephen.
London Bankers—London County and Westminster Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCH BANK.

Capital Fully Paid-up...Sh. Tael 7,500,000
Head Office.—Shanghai.
Board of Directors.—Berlin.

Branches:—
Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsinanfu, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.
The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.
Dresdner Bank.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager,
Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,500,000
Subscribed " 1,125,000
Paid Up " 562,500
Reserve Fund 465,000

BANKERS:
Bank of England,
London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. R. LINTON,
Manager.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE
Cannot be Beaten. If Equalled For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery, meals with Wines & Liquors.

Exchange.

Selling.
T/T 1/11 1/16
Demand 1/11 1/8
30 d/s 1/11 3/16
60 d/s 1/11 3/16
4 m/s 1/11 1/4
T/T Shanghai 73½
T/T Singapore 82½
Private 30 d/s sight S'hai 74½
T/T Japan 94½
T/T India 143½
T/T Bombay 143½
Demand Bombay 143½
T/T Calcutta 143½
Demand Calcutta 143½
Demand India 143½
Demand Manila 143½
T/T San Fco & New York 146½
T/T Java 116½

Buying.
4 m/s L/O 1/11 7/16
4 m/s D/P 1/11 9/16
6 m/s L/O 1/11 9/16
30 d/s S'hai & Melbourne 1/11 1/16
30 d/s San Fco & New York 47½
4 m/s Marks 2.01
4 m/s France 2.47
6 m/s do 2.47
Bar Silver, ready forward 26 3/4
Gold Leaf per tael 54.10
Bank of England rates 37
Sovereign 10.80

Subsidiary Coins.
Discount per \$100
Chinese 20 cts. pieces \$11 15/16
Chinese 10 \$12 1/4
Hongkong 20 \$34
Hongkong 10 \$64

Opium Quotation. Msr. 13.
Malwa, New \$8,200 per pol
Malwa, Old 8,300
Patna, New 9,325 per che
Patna, Old 9,200
Benares, New 9,050
Benares, Old 8,925

TO-DAY'S SHARE REPORT.
S-SELLERS SA-SALES B-BUYERS N-NOMINAL

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE.
BANKS.
Hongkong & S'hai \$125 \$815
Cantons \$50 330 b.
North China \$25 T139 b.

UNIONS.
Yangtzes \$50 \$200 b.
China Fires \$20 \$157½ s.
Hongkong Fires \$50 \$395 s.
China & Manilas \$25 \$81 b.
Douglas Steamship \$50 \$36 s.
Steamboats \$15 \$28½ s.

INDO-CHINA.
(Preferred) \$25 \$71
(Deferred) \$25 \$71

"Shell" Transports \$1 \$101½ b.
"Star Ferry" \$10 \$49

REFINERIES.
China Sugars \$100 \$91 s.
Luzon Sugars \$100 \$31 s.

MINING.
Chinese Engineerings \$140/.

TRONHOS.
Rauha Wharves & Empwms \$21 \$37½ s.
Kowloon Wharfs \$50 \$85 b.
H.K. & W'pos Docks \$50 \$74 s.

SHANGHAI DOCKS T. 100 57
Hongkong Wharfs T. 100 L. 100 s.

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.
Anglo French Lands T. 100 T. 94
Hongkong Hotels \$50 \$124 b.

HONGKONG LANDS \$100 \$112 s.
Humphreys Estates \$10 \$8 b.
Kowloon Lands \$30 \$44 b.

SHANGHAI LANDS T. 30 T. 90
West Point \$50 \$67 b.

MANILA M'pole Hotel P. 10 E. 8
COTTON MILLS.
Ewos T. 50 T. 131 b.

SHANGHAI COTTONS T. 122 b.
Laou Kung Mow 90 b.
Kung Yik 12 b.

HONGKONG COTTONS \$10 \$8 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.
China Borneos \$12 \$11½ s.
Light and Powers \$10 \$4 s.

Do. (Spec. shares) \$1 \$4 s.
China Providents \$10 \$6 s.
Dairy Farms \$5 \$38 b.

Green Islands \$10 \$6.70 b.
Hongkong Electric \$10 \$43 b.
Hongkong Loes \$25 \$185 b.

Hongkong Ropes \$10 \$23 s.
Langkats s. 10 T62½ b.

Morning Post \$25 \$21 b.
Peak Tramway \$10 \$10 b.

Do. (new) \$1 93 cts. s.
Hongkong Electric Trams 8/3 b.

Philippines \$10 \$5 s.
F. Price & Co., Ltd. \$10 \$6 s.

Societe des ferred Pulpes et Papiereries paid up \$50 \$30
on Tonkin up \$50

Benefit \$200
Shanghai-Sumatra T. 20 T. 150
Steam Laundry \$5 \$4½ b.

United Asbestos Co. \$10 \$9½ b.
United Asbestos Co. Founders Shares \$10 \$300

United Waterboat \$10 \$20
Welsmann, Ltd. \$10 \$30 b.

Watson \$10 \$7½ b.
William Powell \$10 \$9½ b.

Corrected to 10.30 p.m. Mar. 19 1914
General Inquiries to De Voeux Road Central address. See page 10 for details.

WRIGHT AND HORNBY

Mail Steamers

**THE PENINSULAR
AND ORIENTAL S. N. CO.
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